

2018 ABREU Cappella

ST HELENA, NAPA VALLEY

COMPOSITION:	Cabernet Sauvignon, CabernetFranc, Petit Verdot
PICK DATES:	Sept 29, Oct 11, 17
PRODUCTION:	11 barrels
BOTTLED:	February 2021
RELEASE DATE:	August2022
WINEMAKER:	Brad Grimes
PROPRIETOR:	David Abreu

After nearly two decades, the vineyard at Cappella continues to evolve and yield wines of intensity and nobility. There is a depth and concentration that has formed as the vines age. The definitivethread of tannin in the wine is still present, a signature from the gravely loam soils. Even though Cappella is planted on one contiguous soil type, there is significant difference that presents itself over the course of harvest.

The long rows of Cabernet Sauvignon closer to Spring Creek are more exposed, especially on the western side of the canopy. That fruit was culled out first, along with a selection of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot, just before the mid harvest rain. After a twelve-daybreak, a large portion from both blocks of Cabernet was co- fermented to establish the base of the Cappella wine. Finally, on October 17, the remainder of the vineyard was picked in total—a fermentation dominated that was dominated by Cabernet Franc andPetit Verdot. The final blend of 11 barrels is 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Cabernet Franc and 12% Petit Verdot.

