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2018~ Enjoy now through 2024~

CHARDONNAY

Aromas of white flower marry with enticing notes of honeysuckle and lemon curd. Layers of stone fruit, nectarine and lemon zest offer a wonderful acidity.



HESS COLLECTION NAPA VALLEY CELEBRATION CUVÉE 2018

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This wine delivers inviting and warm aromas of delicious baking spice. On the palate, juicy, mouthfilling tannins develop alongside layered elements of ripe plum and cocoa.



HESS COLLECTION MOUNT VEEDER CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2014

~ Enjoy now through 2024~

This wine is vibrant with big blackberry fruit notes and sweet, pleasing tannins. Notes of espresso and cassis layer around a very precise black fruit core.



BLEND 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Malbec,

2% Petit Verdot

ALCOHOL 14.8%

pH 3.8

TA 0.67 gms/100ml

COOPERAGE 22 months 80% new French oak

MOUNT VEEDER CABERNET SAUVIGNON

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VINTAGE NOTES

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WINEMAKER NOTES

"This wine delivers the complexity, beauty and structure we have come to expect from our mountain fruit. Cabernet Sauvignon lives at the heart of the wine with its presence revealed through aromas of wild mountain raspberry and cocoa. Elegant notes of violets signal the presence of Malbec, which we integrate to develop a softness on the palate. The 2018 vintage is perfectly structured and led by black fruits, with mouth-filling layers of cassis framed by vanilla notes. The nearly two-year wait in the most premium barrels once again delivers a well-rounded wine as elements of oak spice and creamy milk chocolate linger on the lengthy, pleasing finish."

~Dave Guffy, Director of Winemaking

FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

"Try your hand at the recipe included in this shipment or this wine pairs well with braised meats like lamb, pork or duck; spring or sweet onions; earthy flavors such as mushrooms, eggplant and fennel; harder cheeses with salt crystals such as Bravo Farms Silver Mountain or Beecher's Flagship Reserve." ~ Chad Hendrickson, Executive Chef



2018 HESS COLLECTION NAPA VALLEY CELEBRATION CUVÉE

BLEND 77% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Malbec,

11% Merlot

ALCOHOL 14.9%

pH 3.77

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COOPERAGE 22 months 40% new French oak

CELEBRATE THE HOLIDAYS

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LIONS HEAD

LUXURY WINE COLLECTION

2018 SMALL BLOCK SERIES MOUNT VEEDER CHARDONNAY

BLEND	100% Chardonnay
ALCOHOL	14.8 %
рН	3.6
TA	0.58 gms/100ml
COOPERAGE	100% stainless fermented, aged 9 months in neutral French oak, no malolactic fermentation.

SMALL BLOCK SERIES

Small Block Series wines thrive under next generation leaders Tim and Sabrina Persson. These wines honor winemaking practices that explore distinctive vineyards and artisan techniques. The Small Block Series reflects the next generation's pursuit of state-of-the-art innovations in the winery, and their desire to express the personalities of unique vineyards and varietals in bottle.

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Chablis-like style that is crisp and clean, with firm elements of minerality and a bright energy on the palate. On the nose, beautiful and delicate floral aromas of white flower marry with enticing notes of honeysuckle and lemon curd. Layers of stone fruit, nectarine and lemon zest offer a wonderful acidity that delights the palate, while a very subtle hint of toffee from the oak aging appears on the lingering finish." ~Stephanie Pope, Winemaker

FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

"Fennel-dusted wild Pacific Halibut with roasted peaches and field greens dressed with a honey & citrus vinaigrette. A Feta style goat cheese or Carmody enhances the natural gifts of this Chardonnay."

~ Chad Hendrickson, Executive Chef

NOVEMBER 2021 RED & WHITE

2018 HESS COLLECTION MOUNT VEEDER
 CABERNET SAUVIGNON
 Retail \$80 | Club \$64 | Reorder \$60

• 2018 HESS COLLECTION NAPA VALLEY CELEBRATION CUVÉE Retail \$75 | Club \$60 | Reorder \$56.25

• 2018 SMALL BLOCK SERIES MOUNT VEEDER CHARDONNAY Retail \$55 | Club \$44 | Reorder \$41.25

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The harvest of 2014 will be forever remembered for being blindingly fast. Many say it was over in the blink of an eye...it wasn't just fast, it also started early (some grapes were at the winery in late August), meaning our crews spent Thanksgiving at home with their families, not a bad tradeoff for some long days keeping up with the crush of grapes arriving at the winery. Fast is one thing, of course, but the real focus is always on flavor, and once again, as has been the case for recent vintages, the fruit in 2014 was simply spectacular - it is a vintage that is memorable on every measure: fast, ripe and furiously top quality.

WINEMAKER NOTES

"Our estate grown Cabernet Sauvignon is the flagship of the Hess Collection - grown on the original vineyards first acquired by Donald Hess in the late 70s, this is one if my favorite wines to grow and make. The 2014 vintage is vibrant with big blackberry fruit notes and sweet pleasing tannins - a surprise coming from Mount Veeder. Tannins on Mount Veeder need the most attention to ensure we craft a wine that is approachable and round, and this vintage delivers on all fronts. I love the mouth filling notes of espresso and cassis that layer around a very precise black fruit core. This is a wine that can age and age but if you are like me and you like your wines young, I promise you won't be disappointed."

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FOOD PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

"The layers of flavor in this wine pair well with complex foods, lamb, pork or duck; filet mignon; earthy flavors such as mushrooms, cheeses with salt crystals such as English cheddar, aged parmesan, and gouda cheese." ~ Chad Hendrickson, Executive Chef

NOVEMBER 2021 RARE REDS

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