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2019 | SMALL BLOCK SERIES CABERNET SAUVIGNON RESERVE NAPA VALLEY

BLEND: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

ALCOHOL: 14.6% **PH:** 3.72

TA: 0.6 gms/100ml

AGING: 21 months in 75% new French oak

HARVESTED: November 7, 2019

CASES: 318

ARTISTRY IN BOTTLE

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 Napa Valley and Sonoma Valley grapes in the bottle.

RESILIENCE IN THE VINEYARD

Each vintage presents a unique set of conditions, and we approach every year ready to face the challenge. Vintage 2019 began with occasional rains and cooler temperatures, which brought soil saturation and allowed fruit to mature steadily. Summer helped the grapes to ripen, and the warm days and cool nights of the Fall fostered gradual sugar accumulation and longer hang times. Harvest began slightly later than normal in some areas, with fruit picked at its peak, promising exceptional flavor in bottle.

FROM THE CELLAR

"With fruit sourced from among the most exquisite AVAs of the Napa Valley, including Oakville, Rutherford and Mount Veeder, this wine is the essence of the Napa Valley and shows it is worthy of the reserve designation. Incredibly nuanced with a gorgeous structure, aromas of black cherry, cassis and toasted vanilla oak entice the senses. The lush, full palate is intensely layered with the same black cherry and cassis flavors, along with a lingering coffee bean finish and well-integrated tannins. A Cabernet of this quality and depth is destined to continue to evolve and reveal more of its personality for years to come."

- Stephanie Pope, Winemaker

CURATED CULINARY PAIRING

"Something so powerful needs a companion that can also stand tall, so this is clearly a case where a bit of grilled, charred medium rare beef of the highest quality, presented with wild fennel, caramelized onions and leafy, earthy greens would be simply wonderful."

- Chad Hendrickson, Executive Chef

COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABILITY

Hess Persson Estates' vineyards & winery are certified by the California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance. We are also proud to support the Land Trust of Napa County, a community-based nonprofit dedicated to preserving the character of Napa by permanently protecting land.