

HESS PERSSON

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2019 | SMALL BLOCK SERIES MALBEC MOUNT VEEDER

BLEND:	100% Malbec
APPELLATION:	Mount Veeder, Napa Valley
ALCOHOL:	15.4%
PH:	3.77
TA:	0.64 gms/100ml
COOPERAGE:	Aged 20 months in 35% New French Oak
HARVESTED:	October 24, 2019
CASES:	606 cases

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 Coast grapes in the bottle.

RESILIENCE IN THE VINEYARD

Every vintage and harvest presents a unique set of obstacles, 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 the bottle.

FROM THE CELLAR

"We are one of Napa's largest Malbec growers, and this Mount Veeder-grown Malbec is one of our most sought after Small Block Series wines. The 2019 Malbec has an inky, dark color that lends itself to aromas of warm blackberry pie and lavender, followed by vanilla and licorice. The soft, supple entry complements the vibrant flavors of forest fruits with a cocoa backbone. An elegant tannin structure rounds out the brooding finish."

—Stephanie Pope, Winemaker

CURATED CULINARY PAIRING

"Pair with duck, squab, pork, sweet onions, leafy greens, such as rainbow chard, Bloomsdale spinach, heirloom tomatoes and grain mustard. A young Gouda cheese pairs nicely with this wine."

— 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.