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## 2020 NAPA VALLEY RED WINE CORK TREE VINEYARD

Our Vineyard Series is a collection of limited-production wines that offer their own inspired variations on the innovative style of our Paraduxx red blends. As the coolest of our estate vineyards, Cork Tree yields beautifully structured and sophisticated wines that are as elegant as they are inviting. Combining the lovely red berry and floral notes of great Malbec with the dark fruit character of Cabernet Sauvignon, this alluring wine marries the best qualities of all both varietals.

### **VINTAGE NOTES**

The 2020 growing season began with a relatively dry, mild winter followed by a dry, temperate spring, which resulted in an early April budbreak. The weather throughout spring and summer was even and warm, offering numerous clear, sun-filled days. In September, the weather turned hot, providing the grapes a final push towards optimal ripeness and flavor development. While the overall weather was exceptional for growing grapes, yielding wines with excellent structures and ripe, voluptuous flavors, the impact of the 2020 California wildfires required us to be exacting in our grape selection process, excluding any fruit that did not meet our standards. As a result, while our overall yields were down in 2020, we are extremely proud of the lush, opulent wines that we were able to craft from this vintage.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

Combining the alluring appeal of Malbec with the depth and structure of Cabernet Sauvignon, this tantalizing wine offers aromas of blueberry, bright red fruit, lavender and violets, with hints of vanilla and nutmeg from French oak aging. The palate is plush and mouthcoating, with flavors of cherry compote, red currant and pomegranate seed framed by fine.

elegant tannins and an energetic underlying acidity that contributes to a bright, juicy finish.

### WINEMAKING

Napa Valley **APPELLATION** 

**VINEYARD** Cork Tree Vineyard

60% Malbec, 39% Cabernet Sauvignon, **BLEND COMPOSITION** 

1% Petit Verdot

OAK PROFILE & AGING Aged 18 months in 100% French oak

60% new, 40% neutral oak

13.9% **ALCOHOL** 

3.64 PH

0.60 g/100 ml **ACIDITY** 



