



**BECKMEN
VINEYARDS**

2018 Santa Ynez Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

2018 was a fantastic vintage with almost perfect ripening weather and better than average yields of very high-quality fruit. A later start and end to the harvest brought back memories of a more typical Santa Barbara harvest season compared to the last several years. Another outstanding year.

| Composition | Vineyard | Harvest Dates |
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| 98% Cabernet Sauvignon 2% Merlot | Thomas and Judith Beckmen Estate Vineyard <i>Los Olivos District AVA</i> Other Vineyards <i>Santa Ynez Valley AVA</i> | October 10 – November 9, 2018 |

Winemaking & Aging

- Made with five different clonal selections - 15, 337, 341, 412 and 8 - on multiple rootstocks and 5 different Los Olivos District vineyards.
- Individual vineyard lots were destemmed, hand sorted, and gently crushed before cold-soaking for 48 hours to extract color and taste-enhancing phenolics.
- Fermentation took place in open tops for a period of 10-14 days, depending on the lot. The caps were punched down by hand twice daily. After fermentation, the free run wine was drained to tank and racked to barrel.
- Grapes were then basket pressed and bladder pressed depending on lot.
- The wine underwent spontaneous malolactic fermentation in barrel to integrate fruit and oak character.
- Aged 18 months in 30% new French and American oak, 70% seasoned and neutral oak.

| Analysis | Production |
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| ALCOHOL: 15% PH: 3.84 TOTAL ACIDITY: 6.5 g/L BRIX: 25.5 | 5,250 cases |

Tasting Notes

Notes of cherry, cassis, roasted herbs, chocolate, vanilla, and earth.

| Release Date | Drinking Window | SRP | UPC Code |
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| September 1, 2020 | 2020 – 2035+ | \$36 | 71368498412 |

Winemaker

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