

2018 Clough Cabernet Sauvignon, Sonoma County

Production: 45 cases

Appellation: Sonoma County

Composition: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Soils: Clough

Alcohol: 14.75 % by volume

Aging: 22 months in oak barrels, 100% French

Winemaker Notes

Formed through sedimentary flow, Clough soil is a gravelly loam, layered in quartz and chert. This soil is found on gently undulating old terraces at elevations of 200 to 1,000 feet. Moderately well drained, Clough is derived from conglomerates and other sedimentary rocks and is considered to be a moderately acidic soil with a normal pH of 5.8.

The gentle slope at which Clough soils are located provides the perfect balance of minimal water retention without stressing the vines too much. The soils are fairly nutrient-rich and the locations provide ample sun exposure and drainage. Clough soils embody the prototypical Cabernet landscape, yielding small-berried clusters with intense red fruit and nuances of earth and spices.

The 2018 Clough has an elegant aromatic profile of red currants, sweet spices, cedar and graphite. Strikingly harmonious, each note is perfectly placed and sings with purity. This detailed and energetic Cabernet lingers on the finish to reveal beautiful acidity and a luxurious finish. With a long life ahead of it, this wine will drink gracefully for the next 10+ years.