

A bold and elegant Napa Valley Cabernet, Domaine Curry 2019 delivers richness and structure with refined polish and age-worthy depth.



# 96 James Suckling NAPA VALLEY DOMAINE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

# Alcohol :14,50 % Composition: 85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot, 5% Cabernet Franc

# Cabernet Sauvignon 2019

California, USA

# Region and Vineyards

The 2019 vintage of Domaine Curry Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from top vineyard sites across **Napa Valley**, with a focus on sub-regions known for producing **structured**, **concentrated Cabernet fruit**, such as Calistoga. Napa's diverse soils and microclimates—ranging from volcanic rock to alluvial gravel—offer depth and character that are unmistakably regional.

The 2019 growing season was long and even, marked by a cooler spring and mild summer, allowing grapes to ripen slowly with excellent phenolic maturity. These optimal conditions gave rise to wines with **intense color, layered aromatics, and fine tannin structure**, ideal for crafting a Cabernet with both **power and finesse**.

# Winemaking

This wine is a blend of **85% Cabernet Sauvignon**, **10% Petit Verdot**, and **5% Cabernet Franc**. Fermentation takes place in temperature-controlled tanks to extract optimal color and flavor, followed by aging in high-quality oak barrels to build complexity and structure.

The inclusion of **Petit Verdot adds dark floral and inky depth**, while **Cabernet Franc contributes aromatic lift and spice**. The final cuvée is balanced at **14.5% alcohol**, with integrated oak, supple tannins, and a defined backbone that ensures **longevity and cellar potential**.

# **Tasting Notes**

- Color: Deep ruby with violet highlights and saturated core.
- **Aroma**: Intense nose of black cherry, dark plum, pine forest, hazelnut, cocoa, and graphite.
- **Palate**: Full-bodied and layered with rich notes of blackberry, espresso, gravel, tobacco leaf, and spice. Firm yet polished tannins lead to a long, juicy finish with hints of menthol and dark chocolate.







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# Did you know?

**Domaine Curry** was founded by **Ayesha Curry and Sydel Curry-Lee**, inspired by the strength and legacy of the women in their family. The label honors the **Proverbs 31 woman -** a symbol of grace, resilience, and dignity - and reflects their desire to create a wine that uplifts both palate and purpose.

# Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Grilled ribeye with rosemary and garlic**: The wine's bold structure complements rich, marbled meat.
- **Braised short ribs in red wine reduction**: A perfect match for the wine's dark fruit and savory depth.
- **Porcini mushroom risotto**: Earthy richness mirrors the wine's forest floor and spice notes.
- Dark chocolate torte with espresso ganache: Highlights the wine's mocha, hazelnut, and cocoa elements.



### James Suckling (JS): 96 Points (2019)

This is a serious, cab-based red with pine-needle, dark-berry, chocolate and hazelnut character. It's full-bodied, yet framed and polished, with beautiful balance and length. Juicy finish. Cabernet sauvignon, petit verdot and cabernet franc. Drinkable now, but even better in 2024 and onwards.



## Vinous (Antonio Galloni) (VN): 94 Points (2019)

The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon packs a serious punch. Black cherry, plum, gravel, spice, menthol and espresso are all kicked up in this potent, brooding Calistoga Cabernet. Give it a few years to soften. This is an impressive showing from the Currys. (AG)



### Robert Parker (RP): 96 Points (2018)

Composed of 88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Petit Verdot, 2% Merlot and 2% Cabernet Franc, the deep garnet-purple colored 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon needs a little swirling to reveal wonderfully pure blackcurrant cordial, ripe black cherries and mulberries scents with suggestions of incense, lavender, pencil shavings and forest floor. The medium to full-bodied palate possesses bags of elegance and grace, featuring bright, crunchy black berry and earthy flavors with a finely grained texture and oodles of freshness, finishing on a lingering mineral note.



