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Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon 2019

California, USA

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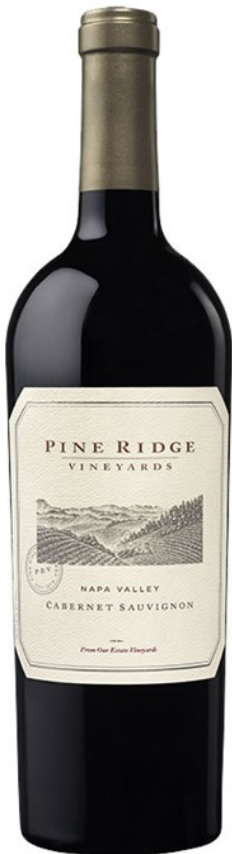
Pine Ridge's 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon is drawn from **multiple estate sites across Napa Valley**, with a particular emphasis on their home in the **Stags Leap District**—a region revered for its combination of power and finesse in Cabernet expression. Additional fruit comes from **Oakville** and **Rutherford**, appellations that bring structural backbone, dark fruit character, and lifted aromatics, enriching the final blend with layered complexity.

The estate farms **160 acres of vineyards**, with 47 located in Stags Leap. The 2019 growing season began with a **cool, wet spring**, delaying budbreak and extending the ripening timeline. A stable summer followed, free of extreme heat, leading to a **long, balanced maturation period**. The combination of warm autumn days and cool nights in Napa ensured **optimal ripeness with preserved acidity**, producing fruit with concentration, depth, and vibrancy.

Winemaking

The fruit was **hand-harvested at night** between September 20 and October 26 to retain freshness and avoid premature fermentation. Meticulous vineyard sorting ensured only the finest berries reached the cellar. After destemming, a cold soak was conducted to extract gentle color and aroma before **high-temperature fermentation** was initiated to achieve full flavor and tannin integration.

The wine was matured for **18 months**, with 39% aged in **new American oak barrels** to develop spice and structure, while 61% rested in **neutral French oak** to preserve freshness and varietal purity. This dual approach to aging imparts depth without overshadowing the wine's vibrant fruit core. The final blend consists of **88% Cabernet Sauvignon**, **11% Merlot**, and **1% Petit Verdot**, resulting in a wine that is rich, balanced, and built for longevity.



Alcohol :14,90 %

Composition: 91% Cabernet
Sauvignon, 6% Petit Verdot, 3%
Cabernet Franc



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Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Deep ruby with garnet reflections, richly saturated.
- **Aroma:** Bursting with ripe **blueberries, graphite**, and hints of **sharpened pencil**, followed by subtle notes of **cinnamon, plum**, and **vanilla**.
- **Palate:** Bold yet structured, with mouthwatering acidity and finely integrated tannins. Flavors of **spiced plum, mixed berries**, and **French press coffee** are layered with toasty accents of **coconut**. The finish is long, elegant, and gently savory.

Did you know?

Since its founding in **1978**, Pine Ridge Vineyards has become a benchmark producer in Napa Valley, particularly in the **Stags Leap District**, where its headquarters and cellar are located. The estate's sustainable viticulture practices are certified both in the vineyard and in the cellar, underlining their commitment to quality and environmental stewardship.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Mole Coloradito:** A complex dish that mirrors the wine's spice, richness, and dark fruit character.
- **Grilled ribeye with rosemary butter:** The wine's structure and tannins stand up to richly marbled cuts of beef.
- **Roast duck with plum glaze:** Accentuates the wine's berry and spice notes while balancing its savory depth.
- **Aged cheddar and walnut tart:** A fine companion to the wine's firm tannins and subtle oak.



Robert Parker (RP) : 93 Points (2018)

A barrel-sample blend of 95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Petit Verdot and 1% Malbec, the 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon is very deep garnet-purple in color with vibrant wild blueberries, blackberries and boysenberries with red and black currants, bay leaves, lavender and cedar chest. Medium to full-bodied, the palate is vibrant and refreshing with a firm, grainy frame and lively finish. Barrel Sample: 91-93



Jeb Dunnuck (JD) : 91 Points (2016)

The only 2016 presented, the 2016 Cabernet Sauvignon Napa Valley spent 16-18 months in American oak and reveals a saturated purple color as well as a ripe, sexy style in its blackberry, plums, vanilla bean, and spice-laced aromas and flavors. Loaded with fruit, it still stays balanced and pure, with silky tannins and a great finish. I don't think it's going to make old bones, but it's a beautiful, pleasure-bent beauty.



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Decanter (DCT) : 91 Points (2016)

Ripe, rich, velvety and supple with succulent cassis and blackberry aromas. Great concentration of cedar, smoke and vanilla with overall wonderful complexity and structure.

