



CHALK HILL

ESTATE BOTTLED

2018 ESTATE RED

THE CHALK HILL ESTATE is a compendium of unique microclimates, exposures and soil types. We are fortunate to be able to make everything from aromatic Sauvignon Blanc to big, bold Syrah. Nowhere is this ideal situation more evident than in our Estate Red, which is just that - the best blend of the red wines made from the estate. Each variety is perfectly matched to the vineyard site. The blend will also vary from year to year, as the vineyard yields and fruit quality depend greatly on the weather during springtime bloom and set, and during harvest. This 2018 Estate Red is a unique blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec, Petit Verdot and Carménère.

Our 2018 Estate Red opens with bold and intense aromas of black cherry, anise, tobacco leaf, leather and dark chocolate. The palate is rich and savory with layers of vanilla, spice, dark fruit and black tea. Dense and supple, the tannins are rounded by a balanced acidity and a long and smooth finish. Though appealing in its youth, this wine will also age beautifully over the next 15 years.

HARVEST

Harvest Dates: OCTOBER 25 - NOVEMBER 13, 2018

Average Yields: 2.9 TONS / ACRE

Average Brix at Harvest: 25.5°

FERMENTATION / BARREL

STAINLESS STEEL FERMENTATION WITH PUMPOVERS
100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION WITH BÂTONNAGE

Cooperage: 100% FRENCH OAK, 61% NEW

Barrel Aging: 21 MONTHS

WINE

Blend: 54% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 34% MALBEC,
10% PETIT VERDOT, 2% CARMÉNÈRE

Bottling date: FEBRUARY 2021

Bottled: UNFINED & UNFILTERED

pH: 3.69 *TA:* 5.62 g/L *Alcohol:* 15.5%

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