2018 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON HIRONDELLE VINEYARD STAGS LEAP DISTRICT, NAPA VALLEY





APPELLATION:	Stags Leap District, Napa Valley
COMPOSITION:	Cabernet Sauvignon
AGING:	100% new French oak
ACID:	6.2 g/L
pH:	3.7
ALCOHOL:	14.5%
HARVESTED:	October 11 - 23, 2018
BOTTLED:	August 26, 2020
WINEMAKER'S INSIGHT	Grown from the four best blocks of our Hirondelle Estate Vineyard, this wine is bold, elegant, and impeccably balanced. Rich flavors of blackcurrant, cedar, mint, and dark chocolate are followed by velvety tannins and a long, smooth finish.
HARVEST	2018 was a mild year with average temperatures below normal, providing a warm and extended growing season without the heat spikes we have experienced in recent years. The fruit was able to naturally mature all the way to November in some blocks, resulting in rich and beautifully balanced wines.
HISTORY	Clos du Val, French for "small vineyard estate of a small valley," was founded in 1972 in the renowned Stags Leap District. The winery was first recognized for its Cabernet Sauvignon at the famed Judgment of Paris in 1976, establishing its place as one of Napa Valley's most iconic winery estates. Still family-owned today, Clos du Val farms two estate vineyards in the Stags Leap District and Yountville appellations and continues to craft wines of balance and complexity, showcasing the fruit from the outstanding terroir on which our estate lies.