

# 2018 ODETTE RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON, STAGS LEAP DISTRICT



**VARIETALS**  
100% Cabernet Sauvignon



**ALCOHOL**  
15.4%



**PRODUCTION**  
18 barrels



**BOTTLED**  
August 4, 2020



**98+ POINTS**  
Jeb Dunnuck



**AVA**  
Stags Leap District

## VINEYARD

Tucked into the dramatic palisades of the Stags Leap District, our estate vineyard sits on 45 magnificent acres. As the newest addition to the beloved region, Odette looks to serve as a “breath of fresh air” to the historic District. Ultramodern architecture and design, paired with a contemporary stance on environmental responsibility, Odette is symbolic of the future of the Stags Leap District. Odette is committed to producing full-bodied Cabernet Sauvignons that are notable for the combination of power and finesse while simultaneously showcasing the unique terroir of the estate.

## VINTAGE

The growing season was extremely steady, with moderate temperatures throughout the year. We had a very even bloom, with veraison finishing quickly, resulting in healthy, balanced yields. Lower than normal temperatures late in the season, without the threat of rain, allowed for extra high time with harvest commencing in mid-October. In 2018, we flagged 25 different picks across the Estate over a 20-day span.

## FERMENTATION & AGING

Fermentation took place in fully jacketed stainless steel fermenters after a four-day cold soak at 55 degrees Fahrenheit. Macerations lasted 8-14 days at a maximum temperature of 94 degrees Fahrenheit. Malolactic fermentation took place in barrel and finished in late winter. Each barrel was hand-selected for the final blend in the spring of 2020. Only three out of the initial 25 lots were chosen, with only 18 barrels total amongst that group. The wine was aged in 100% new French Oak barrels for 22 months prior to bottling.

## WINEMAKER IMPRESSIONS

The 2018 Odette Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District, is full-bodied, multi-dimensional, and seamless, with beautifully integrated silky tannins and a commanding presence. Carrying notes of black currants, blackberry preserves, fresh blueberries, hints of lilacs, pencil lead shavings, scorched earth, and tobacco. This expressive, vibrant, structured, and layered Cabernet Sauvignon is built for the long haul yet irresistible now. Enjoy over the next 20+ years.