

2018 CABERNET FRANC

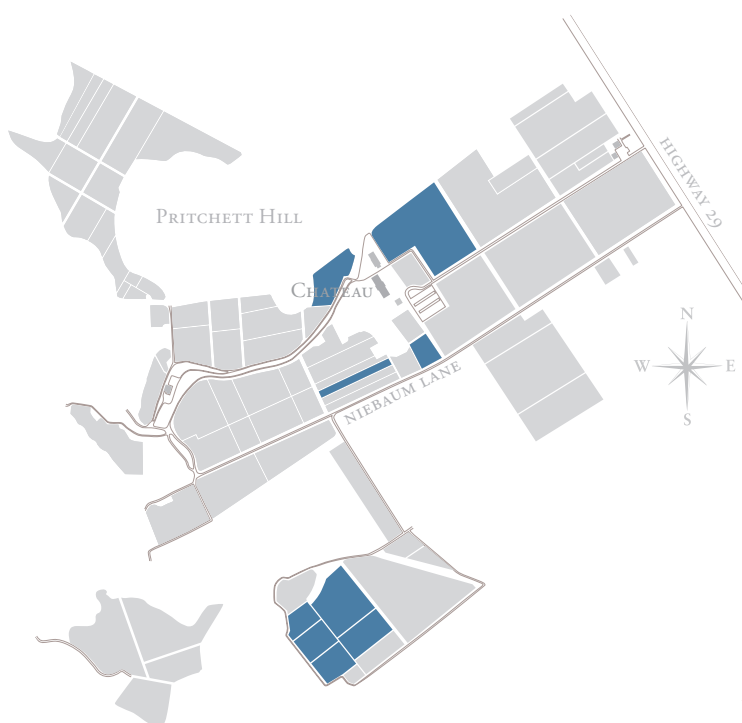
Cabernet Franc is traditionally a blending varietal at Inglenook and is often an important component in our Rubicon and Cabernet Sauvignon blends. When Cabernet Franc performs exceptionally well, we may reserve some from that vintage for a special bottling. This is a rare treasure, and is crafted as a unique, limited-production offering – only for our members.

VINTAGE NOTES

A relatively dry winter, timely spring rainfall, and moderate temperatures throughout the growing season set the stage for a generous 2018 crop of excellent quality. The Cabernet Franc in this blend is primarily from our “Bridge” block, located in a secluded corner of the Rutherford Bench near Bear Canyon Creek.

WINEMAKER’S TASTING NOTES

Opaque ruby red in color, the 2018 Cabernet Franc is a classic expression of the variety, opening on the nose with boysenberry, bittersweet cocoa, violet and a touch of mint and anise. These aromas translate well onto the palate, where the wine is round, polished and displays balance and silkiness in the extended finish.



APPELLATION:
RUTHERFORD, NAPA VALLEY

BLEND:
76% CABERNET FRANC
24% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

VINEYARDS:
BRIDGE, CHATEAU, COHN,
LA LOMITA

ALCOHOL:
14.3%

BARREL REGIMEN:
19 MONTHS
100% FRENCH OAK,
40% NEW OAK

BOTTLED:
MAY 2020

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