

# 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon

## Estate Vineyard, Mt. Veeder, Napa Valley

Anthem Winery was formed in 2009 by Proprietors Julie and Justin Arbuckle, with the intent of producing the highest quality wine from impeccably farmed, environmentally sustainable vineyards in the most distinctive regions in the Napa Valley.

Winemaker Jeff Ames, brings this dream to fruition by utilizing minimal interference winemaking techniques, allowing the wine to highlight the unique attributes of the land in which they are grown. Anthem Estate Vineyard Manager John Anthony Truchard farms the land to best maintain and promote the terroir and uniqueness of the vineyard.

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#### About the Vineyard

The Anthem estate vineyard is nestled in Napa's western hillsides at just 400 feet elevation, at the base of the Mt. Veeder AVA. With six acres under vine, the vineyard produces Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, and Merlot. Optimal sun exposure and excessively drained Mayacamas series soil help create the distinct fruit flavors the region is best known for.

#### About the Vintage

The 2019 growing season in Napa Valley experienced an abundance of welcomed winter rain, followed by an earlier than average bud break. Mild summer temperatures helped preserve freshness and purity of fruit and abundant hang time on the vine aided in excellent color development and structure.

#### Winemaking

The 2019 Mt. Veeder Estate Vineyard Cabernet is unfined and unfiltered to maintain the natural flavors and aroma of the wine and was barrel fermented in 100% new French oak for 18 months (45% Daranjou, 55% Taransaud coopers). It undergoes extended bottle age for an additional 27 months before release, allowing for a remarkably refined tannin structure. Only 880 cases were produced in the 2019 vintage.

#### **Tasting Notes**

Rich and powerful, our 2019 Anthem Estate Cabernet Sauvignon opens with alluring aromas of black cherry, plum, currant, and warm winter spice. The palate is opulent and expressive of the Mt. Veeder terroir with earthy undertones and the addition of more dark fruit like blackberry mid-palate, followed by delicious notes of olive, bay leaf, and espresso. The finish is generous and lengthy. Ready to drink now through at least 2036.

### Wine Enthusiast Magazine, 93 points Wine Spectator Magazine, 92 points





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