



*With more than 40 years of winemaking heritage in California's most fabled wine region, Napa Cellars produces wines that embody the classic, unmistakable style of Napa Valley. Veteran winemaker Joe Shirley crafts these wines from our own vineyards as well as coveted partner sites from across Napa Valley and its sub-appellations. Meticulous care in the vineyard and gentle winemaking techniques allow the quality and richness of Napa Valley's terroir to shine in the finished product.*

#### VINEYARD

Petite Sirah has a big personality with its inky color and muscular tannins. We source this varietal from the warmer areas of Napa Valley around Calistoga, and added a small amount of Napa Valley Zinfandel for complexity.

#### WINEMAKING

Once harvested, the fruit was carefully sorted, de-stemmed and gently crushed. A nine-day maceration period, complete with seed removal and délestage, helped to coax out the aromatic characters and flavors of the wine and create full, round tannins. The wine was aged in French oak barrels, 23% of which were new, for 22 months before bottling.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

The Napa Cellars 2018 Petite Sirah showcases complex aromas of blueberry and red currant interlaced with notes of brioche, black tea, butterscotch, white pepper and clove. Rich, dense flavors of blueberry, mocha, and caramel coat the palate, with the pleasingly chalky tannins leading to a rustic finish.

**APPELLATION:** Napa Valley

**COMPOSITION:** 96% Petite Sirah,  
4% Zinfandel

**AGING:** 22 months in French oak barrels,  
23% new

**ALCOHOL:** 13.9%

**T.A.:** 0.57 g / 100ml

**PH:** 3.61

**HARVEST DATE:** September 28, 2018

**RELEASE DATE:** May 2021

**CASES:** 263

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