

2018 Sonoma County *Cuvée Keltie Syrah*

Cuvée Keltie is a direct result of careful study in the vineyard. Identifying subtle shifts in terroir and personality in the vineyard allows our team to isolate some sections of vineyards—sometimes just a few rows or the top of a hill and often in one- or two-ton increments. Optimal ripeness in these sections combined with large percentages of whole-cluster creates a wine we relish in. Fermented with nearly 85% whole-clusters from choice sub-sections of vineyards, this edition continues the long tradition of blockbuster Cuvée Keltie bottlings.

The 2018 vintage was about as perfect as you can get. Winter and spring were rainy and cool, with the growing season starting on schedule. Harvest was warm but long and patient.

The 2018 Cuvée Keltie Syrah is a sexy wine. Red fruit, sweet herbs, and dark chocolate jump from the glass and lead you to savory notes of sausage and iron on the palate. Full-bodied and powerful, with delicate mouth-coating tannin.

Vineyard Notes:

Location

The 2018 vintage contains Syrah hand selected from Kobler Vineyard in Green Valley, Steiner Ranch in Bennett Valley, Obsidian Vineyard in Knights Valley and Judge Vineyard and Cardiac Hill Vineyard.

Cellar Notes:

Percentage New Oak	Composition
None	100% Syrah
Barrel Aging	Alcohol
22 months	14.7%
Bottling Date	Production
August 2020	276 cases

~85% Whole Cluster · Native Ferment/Native ML

