

# Trefethen

## 2018 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The dedication of the Trefethen family is manifest in every aspect of the operation, from the soil to the table, including sustainable farming, thoughtful winemaking, and gracious hospitality.

### THE VINTAGE

Ample rainfall in the spring recharged the soil profile and provided a strong start to the growing season. The weather during the summer featured consistent warmth and sunshine without any major heat spells. Cooler than average temperatures in August and September slowed the ripening process, providing long hang time and leading to complex flavor development. October was mostly dry and warmer than usual allowing us to pick each block at optimal ripeness. The harvest was complete before November and the start of an epic rainy season.

### THE WINE

Rich, deep red garnet color with aromas and flavors of black currant, ripe plum, and blackberry. Notes of lavender, cocoa, and leather are layered with black pepper and vanilla bean. Full-bodied and intense, this wine is balanced and well-structured with seamless acidity and firm tannins. This powerful wine is approachable and enjoyable now and will continue to evolve and show its personality over the next decade.

### FOOD AFFINITIES

Winery Chef Chris Kennedy loves to pair this wine with black pepper or thyme to bring out the layered notes of this Cabernet Sauvignon. These spices soften the tannins allowing the fruit notes of the wine to be more noticeable and enjoyable. He suggests pairing it with our Ahi Tuna *au Poivre* recipe.

### 97 POINTS | BEST IN SHOW

Decanter World Wine Awards 2021

### 92 POINTS

Wine & Spirits 2021

### 94 POINTS | GOLD

Sommeliers Choice Awards 2021



### VARIETAL

84% Cabernet Sauvignon  
10% Petit Verdot  
3% Merlot  
2% Malbec  
1% Cabernet Franc

### APPELLATION

Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley

### ESTATE VINEYARD

100% Main Ranch

### HARVEST

September 19–October 30

### OAK

18 months, 52% new

### ALCOHOL

14.2%



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