



SCATTERED PEAKS

SINGLE VINEYARD SELECTION

MORISOLI VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

RUTHERFORD - NAPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

Scattered Peaks is elegantly crafted by wine industry icon, Derek Benham. Each vintage, Derek sets aside a limited amount of distinctive single vineyard wines from their favorite sites in Napa Valley. These coveted bottlings are known as the Single Vineyard Series, the ultimate expression of terroir.

VINTAGE

2019 growing season began with plentiful winter rains. Spring was cool with abundant rain, resulting in delay of bud break and flowering. Warm summer weather helped the growing season catch up from its delayed start and temperatures remained steady and mild to provide nearly ideal conditions for ripening. As a result, wine from this vintage accumulated flavor complexity, deep color and balance.

WINEMAKING

After gentle destemming, the fruit soaked at 45° F for four days with two gentle pump overs a day. On day five, each tank was inoculated and warmed to 70° F to start fermentation. We completed three pump overs per day during active fermentation and one gentle pump over a day during post fermentation maceration for a total of 18 days. The wine was aged exclusively in French oak barrels for approximately 22 months. All new barrels were medium to medium plus toast. Malolactic fermentation occurred in each barrel and racked twice during aging process to clarify the wine and eliminate lees.

TASTING NOTES

A delicate yet rich red color fills the glass of Scattered Peaks Morisoli Vineyard Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. The aroma of complex black cherry, cassis and vanillin fill the nose. Well balanced black currant, cherry cola and spice fill the palate then the wine finishes with luxurious and silky well integrated tannins, classic Rutherford Dust. Enjoy this beautiful cabernet sauvignon with a perfect New York strip, creamy spinach and a side of truffle fries, you won't be disappointed.



TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

VINEYARD SOURCING: 100% Morisoli Vineyard

APPELLATION: Rutherford, Napa Valley **VINTAGE:** 2019

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon (Clone 7)

AGING: 22 months in 70% new French oak barrels

PH: 3.76

TA: 0.522g/100ml

ALC: 14.8%



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Morisoli Vineyard consists of 53 contiguous acres on the famed Rutherford Bench in the Napa Valley. Gary Morisoli is the fourth generation of his family to grow grapes on this historic property, which has been family-farmed for over 100 years. Primarily Cabernet Sauvignon, the fruit from this vineyard is some of the most sought after in the Napa Valley. Surrounded by Staglin Family Vineyard, Scarecrow, Joseph Phelps Vineyards and Inglenook, Morisoli Vineyard fruit exhibits classic “Rutherford Dust” qualities and rich Cabernet Sauvignon character.

AVA: Rutherford

LOCATION: Western Rutherford Bench

NEIGHBORS: Scarecrow, Inglenook, Phelps

CLONE: 53

YEAR PLANTED: 1880

ELEVATION: 196 ft.

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POINTS

“Blackcurrants, cloves, tar, tobacco leaves and some espresso on the nose. It’s medium- to full-bodied with fine-grained tannins. Fresh and pretty finish. Try after 2023.”

- JAMES SUCKLING



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POINTS

“...the 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Morisoli Vineyard delivers almost brooding aromas of camphor, black cherries, dark loam and mocha. It’s full-bodied and plush, with a long, supple finish.”

- WINE ADVOCATE