# TREANA

# 2018 **CABERNET SAUVIGNON**

Cabernet Sauvignon has long been part of the Hope family's viticultural history. Growing up in his family's vineyards, Austin Hope has spent much of his life around the fabled varietal. Three important individuals would help mentor his character; Austin's father Chuck Hope and his uncle Paul paved the way for his future success, instilling in him life lessons of perseverance and determination, while winemaker Chuck Wagner taught him the nuances of crafting world-class Cabernet Sauvignon. As a TRIBUTE to the three men who helped influence his path, Austin Hope created Treana Cabernet Sauvignon – a wine that encapsulates the quintessential learnings over the course of his career.

#### **HARVEST NOTES**

The 2018 growing season gave us near-normal rainfall and mild conditions through spring with only a few weeks of exception. July brought a short period of very warm weather that slowed vine growth and berry sizing. Fortunately, moderate weather for the remainder of the growing season enabled vines to thrive. Leading up to harvest, the vines slow berry maturity was ideal for "hang time" resulting in predicted yields, high fruit quality with amazing color and structure.

## WINEMAKING NOTES

After harvest, vineyard lots were fermented individually in stainless-steel tanks for 10-14 days. Extended macerations and carefully managed pump overs enhanced the extraction of color and tannin. The varietals were aged separately for 8 months in a combination of 10% new barrels and 25% once used, of which 100% was French Oak. The initial blend was assembled in the summer of 2019 and aged an additional three months in 35% new oak, of which 85% was French Oak and 15% was American Oak. The wine was racked only twice during its cellar life, with the final racking occurring just prior to bottling.

## **TASTING NOTES**

The Treana Cabernet represents all that makes Paso Robles a world class wine region. This rich dark wine is robust in flavor and structure. Aromas of fresh ground coffee, leather and dark fruit awaken your senses. Sweet vanilla, spicy black pepper and layered smoke coat your palate before a touch of youthful acidity and medium tannin leave a smooth silky finish that lingers.



VARIETAL(S): 93% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 4% PETITE SIRAH, 3% MERLOT

AVA: PASO ROBLES (ESTRELLA, CRESTON, PR HIGHLANDS, EL POMAR, GENESEO)

OAK PROGRAM: 8 MONTHS IN FRENCH OAK (10% NEW)+ 3 MONTHS IN 85% FRENCH,15% AMERICAN OAK (35% NEW)

TIME IN OAK: 11 MONTHS FILTRATION: CROSSFLOWED TA: 0.55G TARTARIC/100ML

PH: 3.85 **ALCOHOL:** 14.50% PRODUCTION: 44,400 CASES