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*Star Vineyard  
Cabernet Sauvignon*

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

2018

*Vintage Notes*



After a winemaker's vintage in 2017 the 2018 growing season was idyllic. It delivered a consistent growing season, followed by a long, slow-paced harvest. The near picture-perfect growing season began in late February. Spring was mild, with extended flowering yielding uniform grape clusters. Temperatures remained steady and warm throughout the growing season, without any significant heat spikes, making for a cool, unhurried harvest.

*Winemaker's Notes*



Star Vineyard hails from the heart of the Rutherford bench. The palate is lush and generous, Robust flavors of blackberry, kirsch, kola nut, and sassafras, with sweet undertones of cocoa and espresso. Seamless from entry to finish, this is a rich, velvety, mouth filling wine with supple tannins and a persistent multi-textured finish. Charred oak, smoke and licorice add a considerable nuance of complexity on the finish.

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## *Vineyard Story*



Star Vineyard sits in the heart of the Rutherford wine growing appellation, between Highway 29 and Silverado Trail on the upper Rutherford bench. Founded in 1987 by Reg B. Oliver and well-known Napa Valley winemaker Ric Forman, Star vineyard has consistently produced stellar vintages of Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, and Pinot Noir. This sustainably farmed vineyard is currently managed and operated by Reg Oliver's son, Jack. Vintage after vintage, the Star Vineyard in Rutherford proves itself to be one of the premier sources of Cabernet Sauvignon in a region made famous by the varietal.

## *Pairing Insights*



Try this Cabernet Sauvignon with Chef Derick's White Bean Cassoulet. Cassoulet is the definition of rich and needs a boldly flavored, full-bodied wine with great tannin structure. The Star Vineyard Cabernet is all of those things and more.