

Beckstoffer Bourn Vineyard
Cabernet Sauvignon

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

2019

Heritage



B Cellars is especially proud of its long-term partnership with legendary and pioneering grower, Andy Beckstoffer. With a portfolio of seven single-vineyard heritage wines, the B Cellars - Beckstoffer partnership offers some of the region's best wines, produced from the most sought after vineyards in Napa Valley. We have nurtured our partnership with Beckstoffer Vineyards since our founding in 2003 and continue to be one of the few wineries in the Napa Valley that produces a wine from each of the six Heritage Vineyards.

Winemaker's Notes



The aromas take on equal spice and fruit, with a complex medley of baked pies, compotes, and chutneys, with a cola, leather, dried olive, and cigar box notes. The palate furthers the complexity and richness of the nose but is lifted with a burst of ripe black cherries, cherry cola, and dark chocolates. The tannins are softer and mild but with excellent structure.

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Vineyard Story

Beckstoffer Bourn Vineyard was originally the vineyard of William Bowers Bourn II, considered the last Bonanza King of the California Gold Rush because of his ownership of the Empire Mine - the finest gold mine in California. Bourn is also credited with having built Greystone Cellars in St. Helena (currently the Culinary Institute of America Greystone). He purchased his vineyard in St. Helena in 1872 as a family home and much of the original vineyard land remains in the care of his descendants to this day. A portion of the original vineyard was purchased by Beckstoffer Vineyards in 2010. Planted with head-trained, old-growth Petite Sirah and various clones of Cabernet Sauvignon, the Beckstoffer Bourn vineyard is the newest Heritage vineyard.



Vintage Notes

The 2019 growing season was a lot like a long distance race. The beginning had it's share of intrigue, the middle was steady and predictable, and the end was action packed. The early part of the year was mild, with almost no frost to speak of but there was a decent amount of rain, saturating the soils and laying the groundwork for long growing season. The spring and summer were relatively calm and steady with no major events to speak of. As fall drew near, it became clear that the wet winter and mild summer were pushing the ripening schedule back. Even though harvest took us all of the way through October, the extra time on the vine imparted amazing structure and flavor development. The alternating pattern of warm and cool days throughout harvest allowed the fruit to maintain ideal levels of acidity. Look for fresh vibrant flavors and luscious, silky textures in the wines of the 2019 vintage.

