



# PAPILLON

## 2020 NAPA VALLEY RED WINE

Dichotomous in nature, Papillon is our ode to the old world. A five varietal Bordeaux-blend, it is many things in one—an approachable yet ageable wine; a hedonistic yet nuanced wine; a piece of art yet just a bottle of wine. 2020 was a tough year in many respects with winemaking being the least of them. But the challenges of the growing season resulted in even more rigorous tastings and blending sessions. What has resulted is a wine worthy of the Papillon label. Sourced from across the Napa Valley, we incorporated fruit from several noteworthy vineyards—Morisoli, Taplin, Lewelling, Stagecoach, Indian Joe—and even from the Monte Rosso vineyard on Moon Mountain.

*Our good friend and fellow winemaker, Greg Gorman, photographed the label.*

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The dark crimson core and brick rim sets the stage, as aromas of currant, blackberry, blue fruits, anise, lavender and brioche float from the glass. Enveloping and coating becomes mixed berry pie, sarsaparilla, cola and blackcurrant with structured heft through the mid-palate. Chalky tannins *a la* black tea or baking chocolate round out the wine with a pleasing finish of sweet oak.

## BLEND

Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Malbec, Merlot & Petit Verdot

## MATURATION

Aged 16 months in French oak, 52% new

## ALC/VOL

15.5%

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