



# HOWELL MOUNTAIN VINEYARDS

Started in 1988, Howell Mountain Vineyards and its wines have been an integral part of the emergence and development of this renowned Napa Valley AVA. Today, led by Mike Beatty and his son Patrick, growers of the famed Beatty Ranch, Howell Mountain Vineyards continues to focus on quality in the vineyards while embracing bioharmonic principles.



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2019  
HOWELL MOUNTAIN  
CABERNET  
SAUVIGNON  
NAPA VALLEY

ALC. 14.8% BY VOL.

## 2019 CABERNET SAUVIGNON HOWELL MOUNTAIN

### VINTAGE NOTES

The 2019 vintage couldn't have been better for us at Howell Mountain Vineyards. It was the first time in over 40 years at the Beatty Ranch that we did not once have to run frost protection, allowing the set to be balanced, producing near perfect clusters. During the growing season, we had a well-balanced year with few extreme heat spikes. The one thing that capped off the year is that we had a near perfect autumn. The temperate weather throughout September, October and into November allow for maximum hang-time, leading to exceptional quality. We began harvest on October 21st and ended on November 4th, allowing our mature vines to fully ripen the fruit.

### TASTING NOTES

In the glass, rich, medium-dark color is exposed with a slight purple hue. On the nose, the wine exhibits a bouquet of red currant and blackberries up front followed by a hint of creme de cassis, dusty undertone reminiscent of the rich, red volcanic soil. On the palate, the wine exhibits well integrated tannins with underlying notes of dark blackberry and black currant fruit. The wine finishes with hints of tobacco and leather along deep, dark layers of fruit and firm tannins which provide structure into the finish, which will allow this wine to age well. Cellar for 5-7 years and enjoy for 20+ years to come.

### WINEMAKING PHILOSOPHY

Our belief is to focus on making wine "in the field" and let the unique terroir of Howell Mountain come through in every bottle. Striving for balance with regards to alcohol, pH, and oak treatments, our winemaker employs a minimal interventionist philosophy, taking full advantage of the distinctive terroir and the natural factors that make the Howell Mountain Appellation so unique. Minimal use of only fine French oak barrels is utilized in the winemaking process only to support the wine and not to distract from the unique Howell Mountain characteristics. We embrace proven, old-world winemaking methods, using native yeast, natural secondary fermentation, and minimal racking with no fining or filtering to help insure that the true Howell Mountain terrior is expressed in every glass.

WINEMAKER: Bryan Kane

ALCOHOL: 14.8%

PH: 3.53

APPELLATION: Howell Mountain

CASE PRODUCTION: 750

TA: 7.0

SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE: \$120.00

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