

2018 PINOT NOIR

CARNEROS, NAPA VALLEY



APPELLATION:	Carneros, Napa Valley
COMPOSITION:	100% Pinot Noir
FERMENTATION:	Traditional stainless steel tanks with 2 punch downs daily
AGING:	50% New Oak
ACID:	5.5 g/L
pH:	3.7
ALCOHOL:	14.1%
HARVESTED:	September 13 - October 5, 2018
BOTTLED:	July 25, 2019
WINEMAKER'S INSIGHT	Beautiful in ruby red color, this Pinot Noir opens with fresh aromas of raspberry and pomegranate. Flavors of tart berry, flower petals, clove, and a hint of spice are followed by a soft and juicy finish.
HARVEST	2018 was a mild year with average temperatures below normal, providing a warm and extended growing season without the heat spikes we have experienced in recent years. The fruit was able to naturally mature all the way to November in some blocks, resulting in rich and beautifully balanced wines.
HISTORY	Clos du Val, French for "small vineyard estate of a small valley," was founded in 1972 in the renowned Stags Leap District. The winery was first recognized for its Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon at the famed Judgment of Paris in 1976, establishing its place as one of Napa Valley's most iconic winery estates. Still family-owned today, Clos du Val farms 350 acres of estate vineyards in the Stags Leap District, Carneros and Yountville appellations and continues to craft wines of balance and complexity, showcasing the fruit from the outstanding terroir on which our estate lies.