

• SKETCHBOOK •

CABERNET SAUVIGNON MENDOCINO COLLECTION

Vintage | 2018

HISTORY

Sketchbook Mendocino Collection is an expression of the real people, places, and tastes of Mendocino County, Northern California – a region celebrated for its wild natural beauty, free-spirited culture, and generations of independent grape growers. Each Sketchbook Wine is a master class in the art of observation, beginning – as great artworks do – with humble, honest attention to the unique characteristics of each vineyard, vine and vintage.



VINTAGE

A long growing season of moderate temperatures led to an early harvest and uniformly excellent fruit quality. Late March and April storms brought relief to regional drought conditions. Smaller in yield, the small berry clusters



presented intense extraction and concentrated flavors.

TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION:

Mendocino County
100% Ukiah Valley

COOPERAGE:

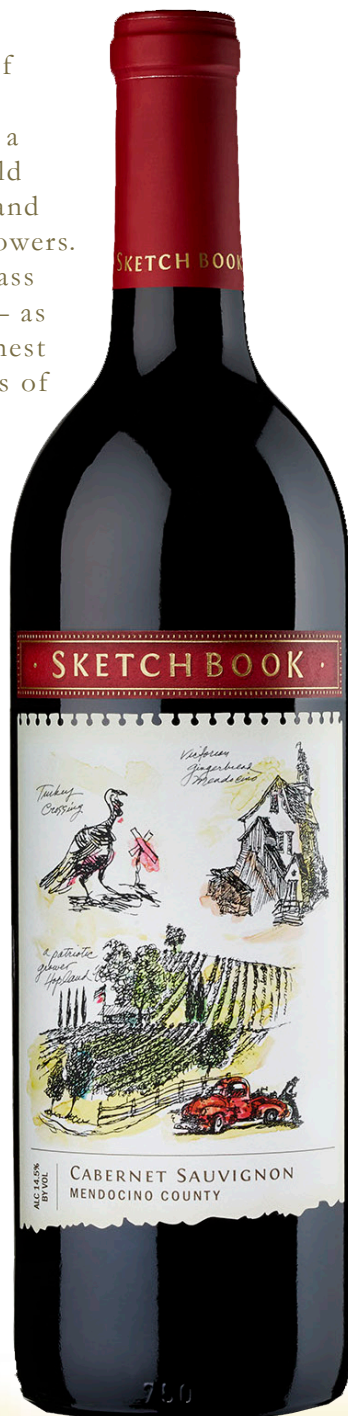
Aged in French Oak

BOTTLING DATE: 3/18/2020

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

TA: 0.55g/100ml

pH: 3.61



TASTING NOTES

Mendocino County's rocky hillsides grow Cabernet Sauvignon grapes of remarkable character and complexity. Dark berry and chocolate flavors are enriched by toasty oak tones and a hint of cedar forest.



WINEMAKING

This 100% Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from Redwood Valley and Ukiah Valley, two unique Mendocino County microclimates. Redwood Valley's cooler temperatures contribute acid structure and balance, whereas the warmer temperatures of Ukiah Valley lead to a richer, fatter Cab profile. Lots of dark red fruit, soft, chewy tannins, dark chocolate notes from oak, jammy, spicy, nice length in finis. Not overtly oaky, but the oak added complexity and structure, and supported fruit character.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION:

86.65% Cabernet Sauvignon

6.68% Syrah

2.98% Merlot

1.93% Malbec

1.03% Souzao

.73% Petite Sirah

