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## CABERNET SAUVIGNON ADELAIDA DISTRICT - VIKING ESTATE VINEYARD

## 2019

AROMA	Violets, Crème de cassis, Graphite, Fresh pipe tobacco
FLAVOR	Black cherries, Espresso roast, Dark chocolate, Cedar-spice
FOOD PAIRINGS	Hanger steak with Chinese five-spice rub, Pepper crusted tuna with ginger-wasabi
VINEYARD DETAILS	Viking Estate Vineyard   1400 - 1700 feet Calcareous Limestone Soil

Adelaida's organically-farmed estate vineyards are located in the coastal influenced Santa Lucia Mountain Range on the west side of the Paso Robles AVA. Situated on steep hillsides, these sites lie within the Adelaida District, a sub-appellation in the northwest corner of the wine region. With elevations ranging from 1400 - 2050 ft, limestone subsoils, and extreme diurnal temperature swings, averaging 45 degrees, Adelaida produces wines with distinct expressions of their site.

The 2018-2019 winter brought about 24 inches of rain to Adelaida's vineyards, which included an uncommon mid-May shower that delivered roughly one inch of rain. Bud break was seen in mid-March and led to early vine vigor and dense canopy growth throughout the year. Though we saw some high temperatures between June-September, the summer was moderate compared to other years. Once the fruit arrived at the winery, grapes were hand-sorted and de-stemmed. Fermentation began utilizing indigenous yeast cultures in a combination of concrete tanks, large oak foudres, and bariques.

Boasting a deep and concentrated ruby appearance, the bouquet shows classic Viking vineyard aromas with the high-toned perfume leading with violets, blackberries, and exotic baking spices. Secondary notes of graphite, cedar, and balsam wood are all framed and lifted by oak and vanilla notes introduced through the use of high quality French barrels. This vintage delivers a decadent, full-bodied wine that is as vibrant and lively as it is rich and intense. Limestone-derived chalky tannins cry out for sumptuous food and will keep the wine fresh for ages. Enjoy now for grip, structure, and intensity, or hold for new complexities to evolve. Drink now through 2030.



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VARIETAL	Cabernet Sauvignon 100%	COOPERAGE	Aged in French oak barrique (55% new ) for 20 months
ALCOHOL	15.1%	RELEASE	Spring 2022
CASES	592	RETAIL	\$75