

# CASTIEL

ESTATE

## 2017 CASTIEL ESTATE

### TASTING NOTES

Hailing entirely from the rocky, elevated slopes of Howell Mountain, this 2017 Castiel Cabernet Sauvignon shows aromas of dark blackberry briars, bay leaf, earth, fragrant black tea and just a very slight base note of sweet vanilla. On the palate, the immense structure of this wine is immediately apparent. Bright fruit combines with a core that shows density and strength. The tannins are plentiful but rounded, adding a sense of juiciness to the finish. This wine is clearly made to last.

Three separate clones of Cabernet were harvested between October 1 and 6, 2017, and were kept separate through fermentation and for the first year of maturation in French oak barrels. The wines were carefully blended and returned to barrel for additional maturation prior to bottling in May of 2019.



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### APPELLATION:

*Howell Mountain, Napa Valley*

### VARIETAL:

*100% Cabernet Sauvignon;  
clones 4, 7, and 191*

### BARREL AGING:

*18 months in new French Oak*

### SOIL COMPOSITION:

*Pumiceous ash flow tuff  
and andesite rock*

### TOTAL PRODUCTION:

*400 cases*

### SUSTAINABLY FARMED