

#### BLEND

78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, 6% Petite Sirah, 4% Syrah

## APPELLATION

California

### ANALYSIS

pH 3.56 TA 6.0 g/L ALC 13.5%

#### UPC

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# LEESE - FITCH

CALIFORNIA

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2018

## **TASTING NOTES**

The 2018 Leese-Fitch Cabernet Sauvignon is rich and bold expression with aromas of blackberry, toasted spice and tobacco leaf. The inviting aromas ring true on the juicy palate with loads of blackberry and boysenberry fruit flavors and layers of jam, allspice and sweet oak adding depth and richness. This well-structured wine offers juicy fruit flavors, pronounced yet silky tannins and good acidity leaving a long, flavorful finish.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

The majority of the Cabernet Sauvignon grapes for this wine come from the sun-drenched California regions of Lodi and Clarksburg. Lodi fruit brings bright, warm weather characteristics while the slightly cooler Clarksburg region brings the structure as well as the enticing briar patch aromas. We also have a small amount of Cabernet Sauvignon from the Balakian Vineyard in Paso Robles, which really rounds out the final blend with that warm climate fruit. In Clarksburg we looked to the Wilson Vineyard for our Cabernet Sauvignon and in Lodi, we brought in stellar grapes from the Valera Vineyards and Cacciatore Vineyards. For the 2018 vintage we added a small amount of Merlot and Petite Sirah in the final blend to craft a very juicy and approachable wine for everyday enjoyment.