

Schrader

2018 VINTAGE SCHRADER RBS CABERNET SAUVIGNON

PROFILE

Always a favorite among our team and friends, the 2018 Schrader RBS continues this tradition. Luxurious aromas of blueberry crème brûlée, mixed black and blue fruit mélange, and red cherries burst from the glass with an enticing hint of lightly grilled brioche bread. The ripe fruit flavors dance along the palate and intertwine with flavors of roasted coffee and salted churned butter. The wine's ample fruit focus is balanced by supple, velvety tannins that give way to an astonishingly silky-smooth finish.

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After a wet and cool winter, both bud break and flowering got off to a later-than-normal start. Summer brought nice, even temperatures with very few heat spikes, resulting in great phenolic development in the grapes and even ripening across all our vineyard sites. Due to the lower-than-normal summer temperatures, the grapes enjoyed long, steady ripening. This allowed for wonderful sugar development while maintaining structure. Once in barrel, the wines showed prodigious depth and incredible character that wonderfully displayed the benefits of slow, even ripening. A winemaker's dream, the 2018 vintage has produced wines that will provide exceptional pleasure upon release and age gracefully in your cellar.

CRITICAL PRAISE

BARREL SCORE: 96-98 POINTS, THE WINE ADVOCATE, 12.9.19 | "A very deep purple-black colored barrel sample, the 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon RBS Beckstoffer To Kalon Vineyard leaps from the glass with wild blueberries, Morello cherries and red and black currants notes, followed by nuances of mossy tree bark, pencil lead and black truffles plus a suggestion of menthol. Medium-bodied, the palate has a solid foundation of very firm, grainy tannins and beautiful freshness, supporting the tightly wound earthy layers on the long finish."

—LISA PERROTTI-BROWN, *THE WINE ADVOCATE*, 12.9.19

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VINEYARD: BECKSTOFFER TO KALON VINEYARD

APPELLATION: OAKVILLE, NAPA VALLEY

COMPOSITION: PURE CLONE 337

WINEMAKER: THOMAS RIVERS BROWN

COOPERAGE: AGED IN 100% NEW DARNAJOU
AND TARANSAUD FRENCH OAK BARRELS



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