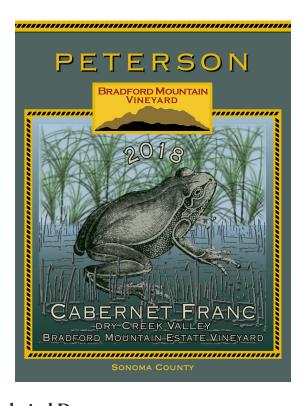
# PETERSON



### 2018 CABERNET FRANC

Bradford Mountain Estate Vineyard Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County



# Jamie Peterson's Vintaged Views & Vineyard Notes

With this varietal Cabernet Franc, we have rounded out our lineup of all the Bordeaux-style wines. For many years this has been a component in our Agraria blend, and in our Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Petit Verdot, or Il Granaio bottlings.

We've always loved the spice and perfume that Cabernet Franc grown on Bradford Mountain brings to a wine. While we sometimes would set aside a barrel to play with, we held back bottling any as a single varietal for many years. After a series of blending trials and experimenting, we came up with this blend that we felt highlighted the smooth and complex notes of the variety, and was honest in expressing the mountain terroir.

Only two barrels were produced for the initial bottling, and in subsequent vintages we will continue to produce very small amounts, given the size of the vineyard block and need to use it in many of our other blends.

#### **Technical Data**

Composition: 100% Bradford Mountain Estate Vineyard

Varietal BreakdownHarvest Dates79% Cabernet FrancSept. 1811% MerlotSept. 1810% Cabernet SauvignonSept. 28

**Appellation:** Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

Alcohol: 15.6% pH: 3.60

TA: 0.61g/100ml Barrel Aging: 25 months

Cooperage: 33% new French oak barrels

67% 2 year-old French oak barrels

Bottling Date: Nov. 13, 2020 (unfined & unfiltered)
Closure Type: Natural cork - Amorim NDTech - individually scanned & TCA free

**Production:** 75 cases | 750ml bottles

Release Date: May 2025

## Tasting Notes

Enticing aromatics of brown spice-laced dark cherry mingle with hints of black raspberry and fresh cedar. The smooth entry quickly flows into a richly textured mid-palate of spice-ladened fruit. Bright cherry and boysenberry fuse with baking spices, cedar and a rich mineral essence as they linger. A well-balanced structure of supple tannins and integrated oak supports the flavors, while enhancing the beauty of this wine.

A pleasure to sip on its own, this Cab Franc pairs seamlessly with steak au poivre and crispy green beans, or Moroccan lamb tagine served with saffron couscous.