# 2018 Cabernet Franc Winemaker Notes



2018 **Amador County** CABERNET FRANC

#### SHENANDOAH VINEYARDS 2018 AMADOR COUNTY

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GROWN, PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY SHENANDOAH VINEYARDS, PLYMOUTH, CA

ALCOHOL 14.5% BY VOLUME

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GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS. (2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR ABOUT TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE YOUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.

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## DESCRIPTION

Normally blended into other wines, this vintage of Cabernet Franc is one of those outstanding years when this grape can stand alone. Our vines were planted in the late 70s on a steep well drained East facing hillside (our coolest micro climate), this 2½ acre block yields a very small crop resulting in one of our most limited releases. Inviting aromas hinting of cherry blossoms, wild blueberries, cedar and sandalwood give way to luscious notes of ripe summer cherries, cassis and allspice. Medium bodied, smooth and velvety with a warm lingering finish, this wine will age well for 3-9 years.

### FOOD PAIRING

Goes best paired with grilled meats. Try it with Lamb Chops, Prime Rib and soft ripe cheeses, grilled poultry or salmon, or a vegetarian porcini risotto.

### **SPECIFICATIONS**

Sustainably grown and aged 18 months in new & used Oak barrels.

Total Acid: 5.8 gm/l :Ha 3.7 Alcohol: 14.2 %

BOTTLED DATE

April 7, 2020 – 103 cases, 750 ml

RELEASE DATE

June 1, 2020