

# YARDSTICK

Ruth's Reach, Napa Valley

## 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon

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### VINEYARD NOTES

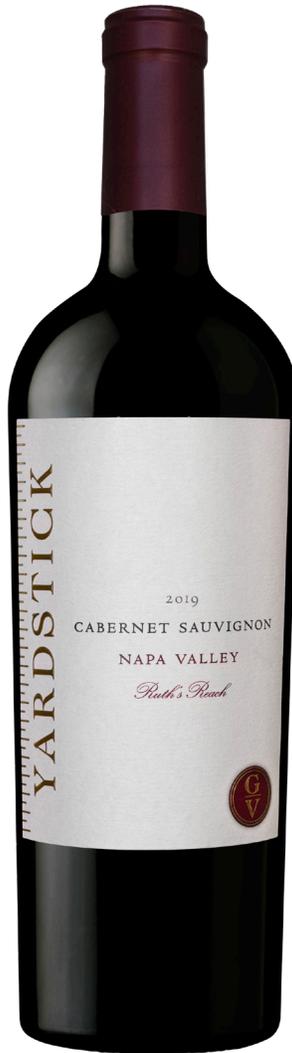
A yardstick is an old basis for measurement which can be used as a baseline or reference point. Named for my younger sister Ruth, YARDSTICK Ruth's Reach Cabernet Sauvignon is just that. It's a signature taste of Napa Valley but without a high Napa Valley price. This vineyard is far enough south to receive regular morning fog from the San Pablo Bay, but far enough north to bask in the hot afternoon sun. Cool breezes flow north late in the day, preserving the grapes' acidity and color. The soils here are alluvial browns which product wines that are exceptionally rich with bright acidity and fine tannins.

### VINTAGE NOTES

2019 will be remembered by two dramatic events: The floods in March and the fires in October. Neither event affected the quality of the vintage. A cool start, a warm ripening season and then a beautifully paced picking schedule. This allowed for an ideally paced vintage— all wines receiving 100% complete focus with no rush. Longer lasting in terms of acid and better balance of tannin and alcohol balance. Although different to 2017 and 2018, the quality of 2019 is truly outstanding. As much as I respect the 2018, the heart of the 2019 may even be better.

### TASTING NOTES

Focused dark cherry and blackberry aromas are nicely highlighted by clove and nutmeg. Fresh strawberry and zingy cherry flavors dominate with hints of bacon and licorice in the background. Medium-bodied and well-structured. Finishes with spice and fine-grained tannins.



VINTAGE  
2019

VARIETAL  
100% Cabernet Sauvignon

APPELLATION  
Napa Valley

VINEYARD / ELEVATION  
Ruth's Reach / 98 ft

SOIL / PRUNING / TRELLIS  
Alluvial Browns / Cane Pruned / Old CA Sprawl, 2 wires

VINE AGE / ROOSTOCK / CLONE  
35 Years / 110 / Field Selection

HARVEST DATE / YIELD  
Hand-picked 10/25/19 / 3.5 tons per acre

ALCOHOL / pH / TA  
14.5% / 3.76 / 6.1 g/L

FILTERING  
Unfined / Unfiltered / Vegan

BARREL  
100% French / Tight Grain / 50% New

AGED/CELLARING/POTENTIAL  
15 Months / 15-20 Years

CASES PRODUCED  
1,500 12-Packs

SUGGESTED RETAIL  
\$30

WINEMAKER  
Nick Goldschmidt

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