

# 2019 QUICKSILVER VINEYARD

Cabernet Sauvignon, Rutherford, Napa Valley



#### VINEYARD DESCRIPTION

The Quicksilver Vineyard lies on the western Rutherford bench, in the acclaimed area on Bella Oaks Lane. The soils are predominantly well drained loams that produce vines of moderate size. These older vines were planted to the California sprawl system, with wider spacing and a divided canopy, giving great exposure to the fruit. Minimal irrigation is needed to obtain maximum fruit potential.

## HARVEST NOTES

The 2019 growing season began with late spring rains during flowering and fruit set. Cover crops between the vines flourished, putting rich nutrients into our soils. Our fruit set itself was lighter than usual, resulting in exceptional concentration and retention of flavor and aromas in our clusters. Mild fall temperatures allowed fruit to mature fully, without being overly tannic nor overly ripe. 2019 was an excellent vintage overall that will continue to impress wine lovers and collectors for years to come.

### SENSORY EVALUATION

Ample aromas of black fruit, savory spices, and sandalwood leap from the glass in the 2019 Quicksilver Cabernet Sauvignon. Lush raspberry flavors are lifted by vibrant acidity and restrained, refined oak. Tannins are well-balanced and finely-integrated, allowing ripe berry flavors along with soft floral and dust accents to shine all the way through to the finish.

# APPELLATION Rutherford, Napa Valley

VARIETAL 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING French oak barrels (50% new, 50% once-used)

RELEASE DATE January 2022 HARVEST DATES October 21, 2019 SKIN CONTACT 16 days TIME 16 months FIRST VINTAGE 2012

nickel & nickel · 8164 st. helena highway, oakville, california 94562 phone: (707) 967-9600 · email: info@nickelandnickel.com · www.nickelandnickel.com