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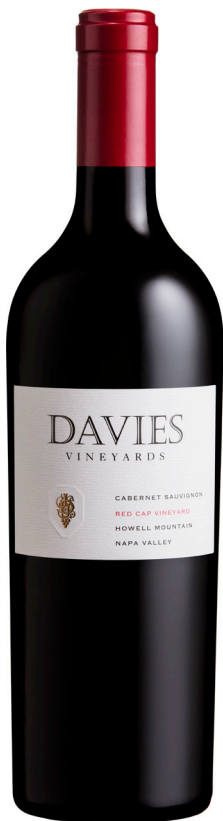
2019 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Red Cap Vineyard
Howell Mountain, Napa Valley

The Davies family, proprietors of Schramsberg Vineyards and Davies Vineyards in Napa Valley, presents its seventh bottling of the Red Cap Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon from the Howell Mountain District. Building upon its experience with its home property on Diamond Mountain in the valley's western Mayacamas Range, this bottling represents the Davies team's effort with Cabernet Sauvignon from the valley's eastern Vaca Range. Second-generation Vintner Hugh Davies, Director of Winemaking Sean Thompson and Consultant Celia Welch have collaborated well together since 2008 in crafting Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignons, and they are very proud to present this unique vineyard-designate bottling from the 2019 vintage.

Red Cap Vineyard, planted in 2003 and farmed biodynamically by the Altemus family, is located near the summit of Howell Mountain at an elevation of 1,900 feet. At this location, the Aiken loam and red rocky volcanic soils provide great root support and drainage. These mountain soils produce smaller berries with higher skin to juice ratio, deepening the color of the wine while increasing tannins. Howell Mountain is known for powerful tannins, however our winemaking team skillfully extracts just enough to produce a wine with rounded and balanced structure. Red Cap's position above the fog line affords it a broad temperature range throughout the day. When compared to the valley floor, evening temperatures are warmer and daytime temperatures are cooler, which supports greater acid retention within the grapes. This combination of soil and environmental conditions leads to an extraordinary site for growing delicious Cabernet Sauvignon.

The 2019 growing season started off with lots of winter rain and cold temperatures. Mild conditions continued throughout the summer with an occasional heat wave allowing the grapes to ripen slowly and evenly. The 2019 vintage delivered high quality with relatively large yields, balanced acidity and superb flavors.



Tasting Notes

“The 2019 Red Cap Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon embraces a bouquet of tangy fruit, including wild blueberry, cherry and red raspberry. The essence of maple, vanilla and nutmeg accentuate the nose. The entry coats the palate with boysenberry, baking spice, toast and white pepper. A savory, dense and juicy center integrates with soft tannins for a bright and dynamic finish.”

- Winemakers Sean Thompson, Csilla Kato and Hugh Davies
- Consulting Winemaker Celia Welch

Varietal Composition:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	Howell Mountain, Napa Valley
Vineyard:	Red Cap Vineyard
Barrel Aging:	23 months in 64% new French oak
Coopers:	Atelier Centre France, Orion, Vicard G7
Alcohol:	14.6%
TA:	0.54 g/100 mL
pH:	3.72
Harvest Dates:	November 1, 2019
Bottling Date:	September 7, 2021
Release Date:	October 1, 2022
Cases Produced:	275 (9 liter)
Suggested Retail:	\$125
Available Format:	750 mL