



THE HESS COLLECTION

SMALL BLOCK SERIES

ALBARIÑO

2019



BLEND: 100% Albariño

APPELLATION: Mount Veeder

HARVEST DATE: October 1 - 8, 2019

ALCOHOL: 14.3%

pH: 3.41

TA: 0.55 gms/100ml

AGING: 100% Stainless steel fermented, 4 months in neutral oak

362 cases produced

HESS SMALL BLOCK SERIES WINES

Small Block Series wines were born from the Hess family's creative passions—wine and art—and thrive under the leadership of the fifth generation Hess family, Tim and Sabrina Persson. These wines honor winemaking practices that explore distinctive vineyards and artisan techniques. The Small Block Series reflects the next generation's pursuit of state-of-the-art innovations in the winery, and their desire to express the distinct personalities of Napa Valley and Mount Veeder grapes in the bottle.

2019 VINTAGE

Vintage 2019 began slightly later than normal in some areas, but nonetheless delivered superb results. Spring was marked by occasional rains, which brought welcome soil saturation, and cooler temperatures, which allowed fruit to mature at a steady pace. Summer helped the grapevines to ripen and catch up from their late start, and conditions continued to be almost ideal throughout August and September. The warm days and cool nights of the Fall season allowed gradual sugar accumulation and longer hang times, promising fruit of the highest quality with structural beauty from balanced tannin, sugar and acid levels. Harvest began slightly later than normal in some areas, but with the grapevines able to mature their fruit due to a warm, dry autumn. Fruit was picked at its peak, promising exceptional flavor in bottle.

WINEMAKER NOTES

“Elegant aromas of orange blossom lift from the glass and are complemented by bright, crisp flavors on the palate. Elements of honeydew melon and white pear provide a refreshing acidity to a perfectly balanced wine. Our Small Block Series Albariño makes a wonderful pairing for richly sauced seafood or Spanish style tapas.”

—Dave Guffy, Director of Winemaking

FOOD PAIRING

“Salty and sweet combinations, like fresh peaches wrapped in Jamón Serrano. Steamed shellfish with chorizo. Boquerones with preserved lemons and pickled onions.” —Chad Hendrickson, Executive Chef

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