BROWN
NAPA VALLEY

BROWN ESTATE 2019 BROWN RECLUSE

Like its namesake spider, we hope your encounter with this elusive wine will become the stuff of lore. So reads the back label on our Brown Recluse. Originally inspired by a wine David created for our first appearance at the Premiere Napa Valley barrel auction in 2007. We bottle Brown Recluse when Mother Nature permits; David historically calibrates the blend based on both vineyard yields and growing season characteristics per varietal. This 2019 edition is a departure in that it is one hundred percent Cab Sauv — our final bottling from the east side of our property before it was heavily damaged by fire in 2020.

Technical

Composition: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vineyard source: Brown Estate Terraces, Far East Block

Appellation: Napa Valley

Barrel aging: 24 months in 100% neutral French oak

ABV: 14.5%
pH: 3.72
TA: 5.5 g/L

Production: 185 cases in 12 x 750ml format

Sensory

Eye: Magenta core, vermillion rim.

Nose: English lavender, eucalyptus, and spicy potpourri overlay blueberry, blackberry, and boysenberry.

Palate: Dense and slightly savory with layers of limestone dust. Rich, velvety texture with fine, gentle tannins.

Cellar life: Drink now through 2040.