



THE GRADUATE

2021 Howell Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon

The Numbers

AVA	Howell Mountain
90%	Cabernet Sauvignon
10%	Petite Verdot
24	Months aging in French oak barrels and bottle
75	Cases Produced
Sept 2025	Release Date
15%	Alcohol by Volume
\$150	Suggested Retail Price

The Wine

The Graduate builds on The Scholar's precision, offering greater depth and gravitas. Aromas of wild blackberry, cassis, and dark plum rise from the glass, grounded by notes of espresso, cedar, and graphite. The palate is plush yet structured – a balance of mountain intensity and Napa Valley refinement. Silky tannins guide a long, savory finish that lingers with dark fruit and cocoa.

Poised and powerful – the next step in mastering the art of Napa Cabernet.

Accolades

93 POINTS - THE WINE INDEPENDENT | 2019 VINTAGE

The nose reveals an array of earthy notes - truffles, underbrush, and crushed rocks - over a core of baked black plums, boysenberry preserves, and warm cassis, with a waft of lavender.

93 POINTS - WINE & SPIRITS MAGAZINE | 2018 VINTAGE

Conifer forest and madrone with smoky intensity surrounding an abundance of red cherry...brisk and elegant, long on spice, with the coolness of a mountain spring and the freshness to age with grace.



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