



# La Côte

9.5 Acres  
1.2 Tons / Acre  
Harvested  
Sept 2nd

VINTAGE	2019
ALC/VOL	13.4%
PRODUCTION	365 Cases
VITICULTURE	Organic
VINIFICATION	Whole cluster
VESSEL	Open concrete tank
FERMENTATION	Indigenous fermentation
ÉLEVAGE	14 Months in 20% new / Ermitage french oak

## VINEYARD

La Côte blankets a steep southeast-facing hillside on the leeward slope of our domaine. Unimpeded by the inexorable winds that confront Bloom's Field and Memorious to the west, la Côte enjoys more optimal pollination and less shatter. The vineyard possesses the most heterogeneous soils of our estate: its bedrock varies from Monterey Shale to Diatomaceous Earth to alluvium, and the associated soils range from shallow and rocky - with a plethora of broken stones - to rich and homogenous downslope

## TASTING NOTE

The 2019 La Côte's slightly brighter color presages the vivid red fruit in its explosive nose. After about thirty minutes of aeration, powerfully high-toned aromas rise from the glass, evocative of cherries, strawberries, and raspberries plucked at peak ripeness. This core of fruit is wrapped in an array of exotic suggestions, from sandalwood, spices and flowers to milk chocolate and musk. On the palate, the 2019 La Côte is surprisingly accessible for a wine so coiled and destined for a long, graceful life. Its pleasingly supple tannins are so polished and fine that they only emerge long after each sip is swallowed, sustaining the resonance of those radiant red fruit flavors.

