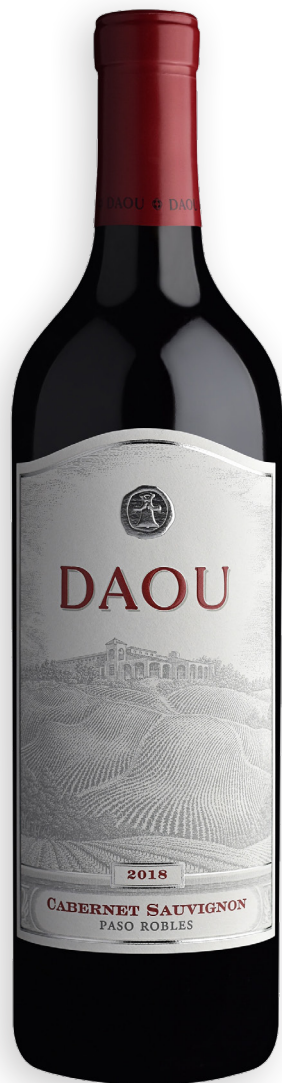


DAOU CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2018



WINEMAKER VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

2018 may go in history as the longest season yet. A good amount of rain fell in the region which gave to a later bud break in April. The vines were energized by the much needed moisture, setting one of our best crops yet. The weather remained steady from spring through June. Then we received a long heat wave that fortunately did not affect the quality of the grapes due to the fact that it was before the start of veraison. A cooling trend ensued for the rest of the season right after the heatwave, prolonging the hang time leading into harvest. The long hang time yielded deep color and concentration with dense wines. The tannins are silky and beautifully integrated. As a result, 2018 was an exceptional vintage that really highlights the aromatics and acidity of the wines.

WINEMAKING NOTE

10 months in 50% new french oak

APPEARANCE, AROMA AND TASTING NOTE

The 2018 vintage shows characteristics that are rich and sophisticated on the nose with currant, black cherry, cedar and eucalyptus, and displays undertones of briary blackberry and wet gravel. Ancillary aromas of coffee and cocoa are rounded out nicely with notes of crushed sage and baking spice. Full bodied and formidable on the palate, offering enticing and juicy wild blackberry, Oregon blueberry and crisp black cherry flavors. Hints of plum and mulberry are accentuated with fig, black olives and fine leather. Excellent structure and harmony between the pure fruit core and firm, supple backbone of polished tannins. Finish is surprisingly elegant for a wine of such power. Silky and smooth, ending on lovely notes of sweet cherry and boysenberry.

WINE INFORMATION

Country:	USA
Region:	California
Sub Region:	Paso Robles
Wine Type:	Red wine
Producer:	DAOU
Wine Name:	DAOU Cabernet Sauvignon
Vintage:	2018
Principle Grape (%):	Cabernet Sauvignon (78)
Secondary Grape (%):	Merlot (13)
Tertiary Grape (%):	Petit Verdot (8)
Additional Grape (%):	Cabernet Franc (1)
Closure:	Cork
Winemaker Name:	Daniel Daou
ABV (%):	14.50%
Bottle Size:	37.5cl
Case/Pack Size:	6x37.5cl

WINE SCORES

Wine Advocate:	92 points
Matthew Jukes:	18+ points