

## 2018 BATES RANCH CABERNET SAUVIGNON

APPELLATION: Santa Cruz Mountains

VINEYARD: Bates Ranch

VARIETY: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING: : Aged in French Oak (25% new) for

22 months.

CASES PRODUCED: 75

RELEASE DATE: Fall 2020

## SANDAR & HEM

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## THE VINEYARD

Perched high atop the southeast corner of the Santa Cruz Mountains AVA, the steep slopes and shallow, gravelly soils of Bates Ranch have yielded stunning wines of great complexity for over four decades. At elevations up to 1000 feet, only a thin sheet of rocky earth separates the vines from solid bedrock, producing wines with an intense aromatic complexity, freshness, and a profound sense of "somewhereness." Farmed using organic and sustainable practices following "best practices" protocols including cover crops to eliminate all herbicide use.

## TASTING NOTES

This wine has a pure and elegant profile with classic Santa Cruz Mountain Cabernet notes of currants, plum, evergreen, chaparral, and spring flowers. Complex and layered, the fine tannins, vibrant red fruit, and refreshing acidity yield a wine of balance and length.