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2020



NAPA VALLEY RED WINE  
GROWN, PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY RUDD  
OAKVILLE, CALIFORNIA

ALCOHOL 14.6% BY VOLUME

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## 2020 RUDD OAKVILLE ESTATE RED

The 2020 growing season in Oakville began with a warm, dry winter with March rains giving the soil nourishment heading into a mild spring. A summer with cool mornings and warm days fortuitously resulted in our earliest first pick of Cabernet Sauvignon in Rudd Estate's history, starting on August 28th and ending on September 25th, two days before the Glass fire in Napa Valley started. These earlier picks, balanced with select picks of Cabernet Franc and Malbec, allowed us to craft a wine which captures a level of aromatic complexity and freshness on the palate, while remaining true to our unique terroir in eastern Oakville.

The most discussed vintage Napa Valley has seen in recent memory, the 2020 wines from our estates have been tasted and scrutinized more than any vintage in our history. It is with great pleasure and pride we introduce the 2020 Rudd Oakville Estate Red. Stunning in the glass with a deep, opaque, ruby red color, upon first smell, one is met with prominent notes of black cherries, lightly roasted plums, and fresh violets. These scents are woven together with a richness of bittersweet chocolate. The aromas develop as a crescendo as the wine opens in the glass, with olive, anise, and warm baking spices, creating a harmonious and nuanced bouquet.

A bold palate characterized by vibrant red currant, juicy plum, and an underlying cherry liqueur builds the entry into a finessed and dense midpalate. This intensity deepens with undertones of dark espresso, notes of leather, and persistent tannins which could only come from our Oakville Estate. Robust yet balanced, the 2020 Rudd Oakville Estate Red is indulgent and complex, expertly grown and crafted to be enjoyed over the next 20 years.

APPELLATION	Oakville
HARVEST DATES	Starting August 28th, lasting 17 days, 8 separate picks
GEOLOGY	Red, volcanic core stone and lighter gravel / stony overlay from Rudd alluvial fan
BLEND	93% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Malbec, 3% Cabernet Franc
AGING	45% New French Oak, 55% Once Used French Oak

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