

## 2018 DYER Vineyard Cabernet Franc

## Diamond Mountain District, Napa Valley

Site Description: Dyer Vineyard is a 2.3 acre vineyard situated on a bench, mid-slope on Diamond Mountain. The exposition is north facing and the slope is 7-10%. The site is most probably an ancient land slide- rocky with fine volcanic soil and gravel ranging from ash to richer red soils. 17% of the vineyard is Cabernet Franc. Cab Franc grows beautifully in our volcanic soils and is the most important blending variety in our estate Cabernet Sauvignon. Frequently we bottle a small amount of 100% Cabernet Franc.

The vineyard was planted in 1993 by Bill and Dawnine Dyer.

Vintage Notes: 2018 started with a now typical warm February with temperatures in the 80s than cooled thru March, April and into mid-May. June and July proved to be the warmest months with Aug and Sept, the critical post veraison months, hovering between 80-90 degrees. October lingered warm, with one small rain event early in the month, picking decisions were easy and leisurely and harvest lingered into early Nov.

At Dyer we picked on October 8 with perfect maturity and good flavor development.

Blend: 100% Cabernet Franc

Alcohol:14.9%pH:3.8TA:6.2 g/l

Winemakers: Bill & Dawnine Dyer

24 cases produced

