

# ALEXANDER VALLEY VINEYARDS

## 2019 Homestead Red Blend

Homestead Red Blend celebrates winemaking in Northern Sonoma County's Alexander Valley. The 2019 is a blend of six of our favorite grapes. Each varietal adds complexity and dimension to this well balanced wine. Winemaker Kevin Hall anchored the blend with rich, concentrated Merlot, added Zinfandel for spicy notes, Cabernet Sauvignon for elegant structure, Grenache for berry flavors, Mourvedre for additional texture, and Syrah for more bright spicy flavors and floral aromatics.

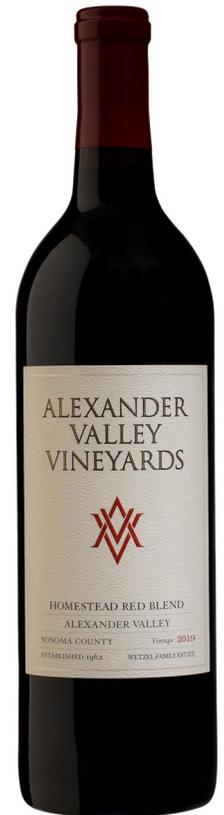
Although the weather was a bit cooler than usual early in the 2019 growing season, there were no unusual temperature swings during bud break or flowering. Moderate temperatures continued through the summer, allowing the grapes to mature gradually. After 2018's record setting crop size, 2019 swung back to an average yield.

Each individual lot for Homestead Red Blend was picked, fermented and barrel aged separately in order to maximize complexity and broaden the flavors in the glass.

This dark purple wine has complex aromas of black cherry, spice, plum, cassis, blueberry, oak and vanilla. This is a medium bodied wine with spicy dark fruit flavors of berry, plum, cherry, oak and vanilla. This is a lush, juicy wine with nice balance and a long structured finish.

**Food Pairing:** Perfect with red meats. Try it with burgers, classic shepherds pie or long slow braised dishes.

**Accolades:** **2018: 90 points & Gold Medal** - *Sunset International Wine Competition*  
**2017: 95 points & Gold Medal** - *Press Democrat North Coast Wine Challenge*



**Profile:** • Aromatic, juicy berry flavors • Medium bodied, nicely balanced, long finish

### Back label features Sustainable logo:

Over the decades we have created and utilized many sustainable practices in our vineyards and winery. We're highlighting our commitment by prominently displaying the Sonoma County Sustainably Farmed Grapes logo on the back label of this bottle.

Sustainability ensures that our business, rural lifestyle and agricultural heritage will be maintained for years to come.

Every time a consumer purchases a bottle of wine with this logo, they are assured that it was produced in an environmentally friendly way by passionate stewards of the land.

### Technical Data:

**Grapes:** 45% Merlot, 32% Zinfandel, 8% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Grenache, 5% Mourvedre, 4% Syrah

**Harvest:** September 19 - November 5, 2019

**Barrel Regimen:** 12 months in French and American oak

**Alcohol:** 14.0% **pH:** 3.73 **TA:** 6.4 g/L

**UPC:** 0-85798-66608-9 **First Vintage:** 2009



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