

# 2018 Cabernet Franc

*Champoux Vineyard*

## The story of this wine.

This very limited bottling shows the compelling potential of Cabernet Franc from a top vineyard. Though it's often used as a spice in our Bordeaux blends, this wine, from the legendary Champoux Vineyard, has its own unique character and complexity that convinced us to feature it alone.

## Winemaker Tasting Notes.

“The hallmark Cab Franc spice component of this wine jumps from the glass, accompanied by dark cherry coulis, mulberries, tobacco and dried savory herbs. On the palate, the wine is concentrated and saturating. It features rich black fruit reduction, damp earth, and lightly singed herbs, with hints of bitter chocolate and crushed anise seed bringing a pleasing snap to the long finish.

Another standout wine from this legacy vineyard. Drink 2021-2031, and beyond.”

- Chris Peterson, Winemaker

**Vintage:** 2018

**AVA:** Horse Heaven Hills

**Varietal:** 100% Cabernet Franc

**Vineyard:** 100% Champoux Vineyard, 1997 planting

**Winemaking:** Native yeast, 20% new French oak, aged 20 months. Bottled unfiltered, unfiltered.

**Alcohol:** 14.8%

**Cases:** 120

**Release:** December 12, 2020

## Jeb Dunnuck - (93-95) points barrel score

“Coming from one of the top sites in the state, the 2018 Cabernet Franc Champoux Vineyard has a singular bouquet of exotic red and black fruits, candied orange peel, cedar, and spring flowers. Just a great expression of the variety with its more medium to full-bodied, elegant profile on the palate, it has fine tannins, terrific purity of fruit, and a great finish.”

