

ULYSSES

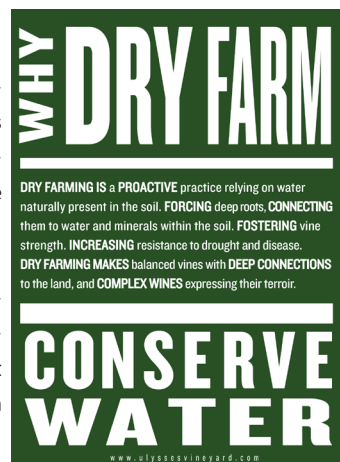
2019 OAKVILLE - NAPA VALLEY

"To strive, to seek, to find, and not to yield." – Alfred Lord Tennyson, Ulysses

Ulysses is a Cabernet Sauvignon with a touch of Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot produced from Ulysses Vineyard, Oakville, California. Steeped in history, ULYSSES Vineyard, part of the original 1800's Charles Hopper Ranch, was acquired in 2008 by Christian Moueix. Along the Napa Valley's Oakville bench and extending over an alluvial fan at the foot of the Mayacamas Range, the site is exceptional for winegrowing. The soil is composed of deep, gravelly, clay loam and is particularly well-suited to growing Cabernet Sauvignon.

Since the acquisition, Christian Moueix and his team have pursued an in-depth understanding of the soil and microclimate and have undertaken a lengthy and meticulous vineyard restoration. Dry farming, the foundation of Ulysses' sustainable farming practices, enhances root depth and resistance to drought, resulting in a wine that is a pure expression of its terroir.

Our team's intention is to produce a wine reflecting the exceptional potential and individuality of the Ulysses Vineyard. Our approach is minimalist, with attentive observation and restrained intervention. Harvested at perfect ripeness and with the utmost care, the grapes undergo both cluster and berry selection before a gentle vinification and aging.



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| Harvest Start: | Sept 26th | Harvest End: | October 11th |
| Bottling: | May 2021 | Cases Produced: | 1200 |
| | | Release Date | March 2023 |

WEATHER 2019: The 2019 vintage was characterized by heavy rains in winter and spring, with a total of 53" of rain compared to an historical average of 31". A year of contrasts, a warm January was followed by the coldest February since 1998. April was the second warmest April on record after 2013, but May (during bloom) was particularly rainy and cold. The first heat wave of the season was on June 10th and 11th reaching 102 F, which represented a violent change of temperature after the very cold month of May. With soils saturated and warm temperatures, shoot growth was exuberant. The summer was warm with several heat spikes and high temperatures exceeding the historical average from June to September.

Winemaker's Notes: The wine opens with vibrant floral stems, red currants, forest undergrowth and iron ore, tightly wrapped in a lingering dark chocolate finish.

JEB DUNNUCK - 97 POINTS

Incredible aromatics of red and black currants, spring flowers, graphite, camphor, and cedar define the aromatics, and it's incredibly polished and elegant on the palate, with medium to full body, gorgeous tannins, and a great finish. This is another awesome 2019 that matches ample richness and depth with a terrific sense of finesse. Drink bottles over the coming two decades.

JAMES SUCKLING - 97 POINTS

A very elegant wine from the Dominus team that contrasts with most wines from this generally opulent vintage. Opens with red fruit, raspberries and cherries, laced with mineral and savory notes before darker fruit, tobacco, blackcurrant and rich earth flavors fill the palate. Very silky tannins, a medium body and a sense of refreshment with good acidity. Composed of cabernet sauvignon with touches of cabernet franc and petit verdot. A super well-balanced wine that's tempting to drink now, but best from 2029.



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