



# A I L E R O N

## 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon

Napa Valley

# 95

 POINTS

From Shannon O'Shaughnessy's estate, this is the only red in her portfolio, and a classic Napa Cabernet. Decadent black fruit aromas lift out of the glass with rich scents of garrigue and toasty oak. Silken finish berry fruit and cassis flavours wind their way toward brown spices and herbs. Long and lean.

### Decanter

### GROWING SEASON

The 2019 season brought above average rainfall with an unusually wet May, leading to fully saturated soils coming out of spring and lasting well into the summer. A warm August and cooler temps in September and October completed the near perfect growing season. Conditions allowed longer hang time, which promoted grape maturity in our mountain vineyards.

### TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Aileron Cabernet Sauvignon is dark in color with explosive aromatics of mountain herbs, cedar, violets, chocolate, and graphite. On the palate, the wine is dense, full-bodied, and harmonious, punctuated by hints of black cherries, plums and warm spices mixed with toasty French oak. Tannins are refined and polished front to back, affording great tension and length. Drink now and enjoy for the next 15+ years.

### WINEMAKING

The Aileron wines are hand-crafted by the team at Atelier Melka.



### World-Class Taking Flight

Shannon O'Shaughnessy, proprietor, is a Minnesota native whose family moved to the Napa Valley in 1990 to become grape growers and vintners. In 1997, Shannon helped her family launch O'Shaughnessy Estate on Howell Mountain, where she was integral in developing the estate and winery and launching the brand. O'Shaughnessy has since gone on to become one of the world-class wineries in Napa Valley.