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## 2018 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, Stop Talking...

**TASTING NOTES:** This Cabernet Sauvignon shows a dark ruby color. The aromas brood with hints of currant, cedar, dust, roasted coffee and plum. The mid palate is complex; the mouth feel has ample weight with plum, black currant and vanilla. French oak aging elevates the wine with spice tones. Tannins are balanced and refined. The wine finishes with long rich flavors. Enjoy now or cellar for 10+ years.

- **Vineyards:** Rutherford and Oakville.
- **Harvest:** Mid October 2018.
- **Winemaking:** 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, 3% Malbec. Fruit was rigorously hand sorted and fully destemmed to small closed fermenters with soft crushing. The must was cold soaked (5-7 days), warm fermentations (85-90° F), with regular pump-overs throughout fermentation. Wines were macerated post fermentation to gain tannin structure and put to barrel on full fermentation lees for ML. Racking was every 4 months. Bordeaux yeast and native strains.
- **Cooperage and Aging:** 18 months, 65% new French oak
- **Bottling:** August 2020, 112 cases produced.
- **Final bottling technical information:**
  - pH: 3.67
  - TA: 0.61 g/100 ml
  - Alcohol: 14.4 %