

2019 SIGNATURE SILVER

BY CALDWELL, NAPA VALLEY

Vintage:	Twentieth
Composition:	43% Merlot, 27% Cabernet Sauvignon 25% Syrah, 4% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot
Clones:	Multiple
Appellation:	Coombsville, Napa Valley, CA
Vineyard:	Caldwell Vineyard Estate, Established 1981
Vineyard Blocks:	Caldwell 14A, 15C, 15F, 17D, 18F
Yield:	3.5 Tons per Acre on Average
Average Vine Age:	25 Years
Grape Varieties:	See Composition Section
Rootstock:	Multiple
Harvest Date:	Multiple

Vintage Summary: The 2019 growing season, much like 2018, was ideal for almost every varietal, clone, rootstock, and age group of vine. The season started very, very late, and it set us up for a potentially devastatingly short growing season. However, the season turned out magically long, temperate, and void of rain and heat spikes during critical phenological ripening steps. Mother Nature provided winemakers and vineyard managers very little stress, while perfectly stressing the fruit. 2019 will go down in history as one of the highest quality and abundant vintages of all time. Every wine in our lineup has a backbone of structure, power, and verve but are strongly defined by varietal purity and elegance.

Fermentation:	Stainless
Yeast:	Multiple
ML Bacteria:	Multiple
Wood Origin:	100% French (Jupilles, Bercé)
Aging:	18 Months in Barrel
New Oak Barrels:	80%
Fining:	None
Filtering:	Filtered
Alcohol:	15.1%
Bottled on:	August 23, 2021

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: I designed the 2019 Signature Silver bottling as a true harken back to John's original bottlings of Silver in the late 1990s. The high dosing of Syrah provides beautiful fruit texture, weight, and a bump in immediate drinkability, while the 4 other varietals in the blend will allow it to age gracefully for many years. Always John's favorite blend to make, the Signature Silver will also remain the first wine Caldwell ever made here at the estate.

Cellaring:	2 – 20 Years
Production:	168 Cases
Price:	\$200 / 750ml

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