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Cliff Lede Vineyards was founded in 2002 by Cliff Lede following the acquisition of 60 acres in the Stags Leap District of Napa Valley. With a focus on producing wines from estate vineyards, Lede tapped David Abreu, considered the best viticulturist in Napa Valley, to replant and farm the vineyards. The plantings were so specific and precise to each soil type and exposure that, to keep track without having to refer to a clipboard, Lede decided to name each block after some of his favorite rock songs and albums—from “My Generation” to “Dark Side of the Moon,” creating what is known today as the Cliff Lede Vineyards’ “Rock Blocks.” the vineyards on the valley floor surrounding the tasting room and winery are referred to as Twin Peaks Vineyard. The soil is predominantly gravelly-loam, and the vines are planted to red Bordeaux varieties, including Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, and Malbec.

This property forms the backbone of the Cliff Lede Stags Leap District Cabernet Sauvignon.



# 2018 Cliff Lede “Poetry” Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District



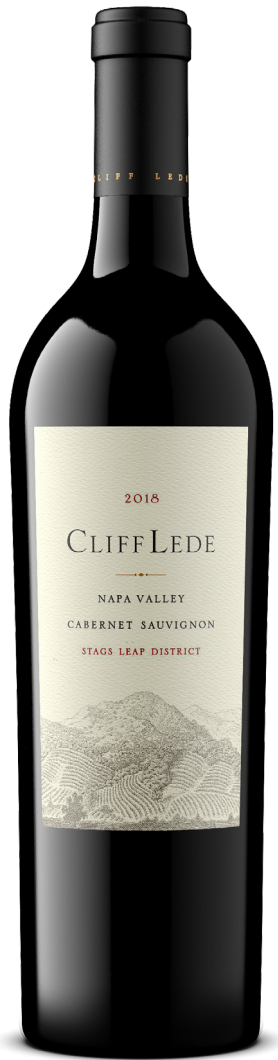
<b>Story:</b>	The pinnacle of Stags Leap District Cabernet Sauvignon from the estate’s Poetry Vineyard is perfected by blending small amounts of other red Bordeaux grape varieties. A true “world-class” wine, Poetry has been awarded multiple 100-point scores for its incredible concentration, balance, and remarkable sense of place.
<b>Composition:</b>	88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot, and 1% Cabernet Franc
<b>Winemaking:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Grapes from the Poetry Vineyard were hand-picked into 25lb bins to minimize crushing and sorted using a three-tiered process with cutting-edge optical sorter.</li><li>• Whole berries were gently delivered by gravity to tank using our crane system.</li><li>• Cold soaks lasted from five to eight days, and fermentations were managed through a combination of pump overs and <i>délestage</i>.</li><li>• Extended maceration of up to six weeks.</li></ul>
<b>Aging:</b>	French oak barrels for twenty-one months, 82% of which were new
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	Dark red and black currants, black raspberries, and candied violets form this elixir’s fruitier elements, while a bouquet of pretty ylang-ylang, jasmine, lilac, and tuberose blossoms decorate the balmy perfume. The lush, effortless quality of this vintage shows in this wine’s unified precision and heady sandalwood, cedar, loam, and rose petal notes that fleck the long fresh finish.
<b>Channel Mix:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• On-premise with extensive wine list with multiple vintage collections.</li><li>• Off-premise accounts that target collectors.</li></ul>
<b>Wine List Standard:</b>	Wine List Preferred: 2018 Cliff Lede “Poetry” Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District Wine List Acceptable: Cliff Lede “Poetry” Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District, 2018



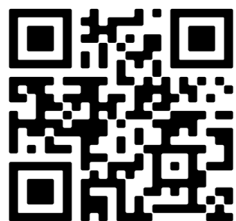
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# 2018 Cliff Lede Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District



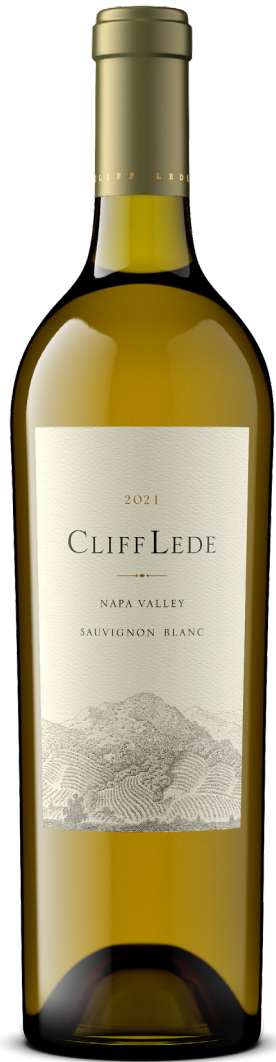
<b>Story:</b>	This prime example of Stags Leap District Cabernet Sauvignon demonstrates the rare balance of power and grace. Grown in the northern-most corner of Napa Valley’s smallest AVA, this wine is consistently adored for its natural intensity and plush mouthfeel.
<b>Composition:</b>	76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Merlot, 6% Petit Verdot, 3% Malbec, 2% Cabernet Franc
<b>Winemaking:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grapes were sorted using a three-tiered process with cutting-edge optical sorter.</li> <li>• Whole berries were gently delivered by gravity to tank using our crane system.</li> <li>• Cold soaks lasted approximately seven days, and fermentations were managed via a combination of <i>délestage</i>, pumpovers, and punchdowns.</li> <li>• Extended maceration ranging from four to five weeks.</li> </ul>
<b>Aging:</b>	Twenty-one months in French oak barrels, 32% of which were new
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	Its beautiful, scorched earth, blackberry, warm blueberries, cool slate, and dark chocolate aromas envelop the glass and are complexed with ancho chile, cumin, braised meat juices, and new leather notes. There’s a burst of black fruits and spring flowers on the palate followed by exquisitely polished and fine tannin that bring together all the layers in an impressive finish.
<b>Channel Mix:</b>	On-General: 40% On-Chain: 10% Off-General: 40% Off-Chain: 10%
<b>Wine List Standard:</b>	Wine List Preferred: 2018 Cliff Lede Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District Wine List Acceptable: Cliff Lede Cabernet Sauvignon, Stags Leap District, 2018



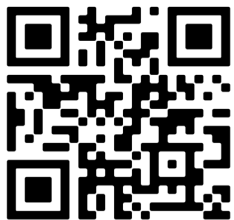
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# 2021 Cliff Lede Sauvignon Blanc, Napa Valley



<b>Story:</b>	A unique expression of Sauvignon Blanc that combines Old World inspiration with New World style. Incorporating three white Bordeaux varieties and three fermentation techniques, this wine showcases impressive texture and weight while retaining freshness.
<b>Composition:</b>	91% Sauvignon Blanc, 9% Sémillon, 1% Sauvignon Vert
<b>Winemaking:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gentle, whole-cluster pressing.</li><li>• 92% French oak barrels, 6% stainless steel tanks, and 2% concrete eggs.</li><li>• All fermentations were conducted at cold temperatures to preserve the freshness of the fruit.</li></ul>
<b>Aging:</b>	The wine was aged on its lees and underwent daily or weekly battonage
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	Youthful and delightfully fresh, this wine offers an exhilarating bouquet of lemon curd, honeysuckle nectar, and white peach aromas. Layers of shortbread, beeswax, flint, and kaffir lime scents appear with time and heighten the complexity. The entry begins seductively taut, but soon widens, expansively coating the palate without losing precision. Lemon candy, clementine, and quince paste flavors gush harmoniously while sea spray, chamomile, and rosemary flowers dot the retro nasal recesses.
<b>Channel Mix:</b>	On-General: 45% On-Chain: 10% Off-General: 30% Off-Chain: 15%
<b>Wine List Standard:</b>	Wine List Preferred: 2021 Cliff Lede Sauvignon Blanc, Napa Valley Wine List Acceptable: Cliff Lede Sauvignon Blanc, Napa Valley, 2021



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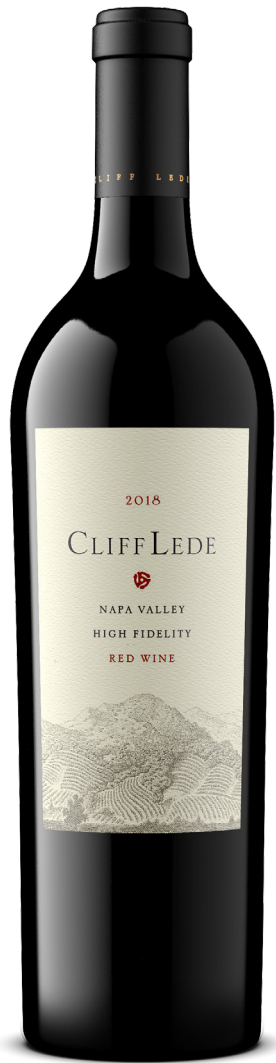


# 2018 Cliff Lede “Magic Nights” Cabernet Sauvignon, Rock Block Series, Stags Leap District



<b>Story:</b>	Our Stags Leap District estate vineyard blocks are named after rock songs. Each vintage, we make a Cabernet “mash up” of the names of two blocks that are components in the final blend. The label features an amplifier stack and the capsule is a dial that goes to 11. Why? Because it is one more than 10.
<b>Composition:</b>	92% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot, and 3% Merlot
<b>Winemaking:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grapes were sorted using a three-tiered process with cutting-edge optical sorter and gently delivered by gravity to tank using our crane system.</li> <li>• Cold soaks lasted from five to eight days, and fermentations were managed through a combination of pump overs and <i>délestage</i>.</li> <li>• Extended maceration of up to six weeks ensured exceptional extraction and fine-tuning of tannin profiles.</li> </ul>
<b>Aging:</b>	Twenty-one months of <i>élevage</i> in French oak barrels, 80% of which were new.
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	The name of this blend is derived from The Who’s “Magic Bus” in our Poetry vineyard and from The Moody Blues’ “Nights in White Satin” in our Twin Peaks vineyard. It’s as dark as midnight and delights the taster with deep rich cassis, candied violets, lilacs, blackberry, warm summer mulberries, and melted black licorice. The wine possesses a weighty, oily texture reminiscent of melted chocolate, grilled steak drippings, iron, fig, and medjool dates. The tannins are satin smooth with the elegance and energy of the vintage taking center stage on the finish.
<b>Wine List Standard:</b>	<p>Wine List Preferred: 2018 Cliff Lede “Magic Nights” Cabernet Sauvignon, Rock Block Series, Stags Leap District</p> <p>Wine List Acceptable: Cliff Lede “Magic Nights” Cabernet Sauvignon, Rock Block Series, Stags Leap District, 2018</p>

# 2018 Cliff Lede “High Fidelity,” Red Wine, Napa Valley



<b>Story:</b>	Inspired by the right bank blends of Bordeaux, Merlot and Cabernet Franc typically dominate the High Fidelity blend. Often shortened to “hi-fi,” high fidelity is a musical term that is defined as sound reproduction over the full range of audible frequencies with very little distortion of the original signal. In other words, faithfulness to the original.
<b>Composition:</b>	50% Cabernet Franc, 25% Merlot, 23% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Petit Verdot
<b>Winemaking:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Grapes were sorted using a three-tiered process with cutting-edge optical sorter and gently delivered by gravity to tank using our crane system.</li> <li>• Cold soaks lasted approximately seven days, and fermentations were managed via a combination of <i>délestage</i>, pumpovers, and punchdowns.</li> <li>• Extended maceration ranging from four to five weeks fine-tuned our tannin profiles, allowing us to perfect mouth feel and wine complexity.</li> </ul>
<b>Aging:</b>	Aged in French oak barrels, 66% of which was new, for twenty-two months.
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	Dark ruby colored, the 2018 High Fidelity displays a succulent assortment of complex and intriguing aromas and flavors. It starts with a fragrance of sage, steeped Oolong black tea, rhubarb, and melted black licorice notes. There’s a rush of red currants, fruitcake, cinnamon candies, and black truffle flavors across the palate. The texture is fine and complete and essence of tobacco leaf, minerals, and salted caramel glide across the lush fresh finish.
<b>Wine List Standard:</b>	Wine List Preferred: 2018 Cliff Lede “High Fidelity,” Red Wine, Napa Valley Wine List Acceptable: Cliff Lede “High Fidelity,” Red Wine, Napa Valley, 2018

# FEL

In 2009, Cliff Lede expanded into Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, and Pinot Gris following the purchase of Breggo Cellars in Anderson Valley. In 2014, as a tribute to his mother, Florence Elsie Lede, Lede renamed the brand FEL Wines. After all, it was she whose home winemaking hobby sparked Lede's curiosity in wine when he was in his youth.

In 2011, the Lede family acquired the Savoy Vineyard, which is recognized as one of the benchmark Pinot Noir and Chardonnay vineyards in California. This southwest-facing, gently sloping vineyard was planted by Richard Savoy in 1991 near the junction of Gowan Creek and the Navarro River. Encompassing 44 acres, it is planted to a diverse array of Dijon and heritage Pinot Noir and Chardonnay clones, and is divided into 34 sub-blocks, which are each managed individually to maximize quality.

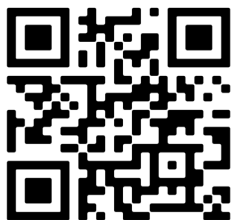




# 2019 FEL Pinot Noir, Savoy Vineyard, Anderson Valley



<b>Story:</b>	Hailing from the lauded Savoy Vineyard, this bottling exemplifies California Pinot Noir at its full potential. Estate grown in the heart of Anderson Valley, this wine offers a fruit profile that is profoundly alluring while remaining wondrously complex.
<b>Composition:</b>	100% Pinot Noir
<b>Winemaking:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The fruit was harvested at an average of 24.1° Brix.</li><li>• Seven-day cold soak at 50°F, a nine-day primary fermentation, peaking between 90 and 92°F.</li><li>• Two to three day extended maceration.</li></ul>
<b>Aging:</b>	Sixteen months in 60-gallon French oak barrels, 30% of which were new
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	Savoy Vineyard is perched above the Navarro River bench looking out at the last stand of old-growth redwoods in Anderson Valley. The wildness of the forest is reflected in the wine with aromas of conifer needles, native mint, and wild brambleberries. The nose also includes notes of black cherry, cedar, and cinnamon. Texturally, Savoy Pinot Noir is always a compelling wine with silky tannins that give great length to the mouth and support flavors of cherry, blackberry, and black tea.
<b>Channel Mix:</b>	On-General: 50% Off-General: 50%
<b>Wine List Standard:</b>	Wine List Preferred: 2019 FEL Pinot Noir, Savoy Vineyard, Anderson Valley Wine List Acceptable: FEL Pinot Noir, Savoy Vineyard, Anderson Valley, 2019



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# 2019 FEL Chardonnay, Anderson Valley



<b>Story:</b>	Unlike stereotypical California Chardonnay, this wine is stylistically fresh and vibrant. With the use of neutral oak and limited malolactic fermentation, this Chardonnay harmoniously brings two of Anderson Valley's greatest fruit sources together.
<b>Composition:</b>	100% Chardonnay
<b>Winemaking:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The fruit was gently whole cluster pressed to tank, where it settled for 24 hours.</li><li>• Fermentation occurred in neutral French oak barrels to provide richness and body while showcasing the beautiful fruit.</li><li>• Very limited malolactic fermentation was permitted to preserve the wine's freshness and acidity.</li></ul>
<b>Aging:</b>	The wine was aged <i>sur lie</i> , without stirring, for ten months
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	Aromatics of lemon rind, kiwi, and green apple waft from the glass of this elegantly styled Chardonnay. In the mouth, flavors of lychee, honey, and Meyer lemon mingle with notes of Bartlett pear and brioche. Refreshing notes of lime, lemon curd, and honeydew melon pair with crisp acidity and a bright finish.
<b>Channel Mix:</b>	On-General: 55% On-Chain: 10% Off-General: 30% Off-Chain: 5%
<b>Wine List Standard:</b>	Wine List Preferred: 2019 FEL Chardonnay, Anderson Valley Wine List Acceptable: FEL Chardonnay, Anderson Valley, 2019



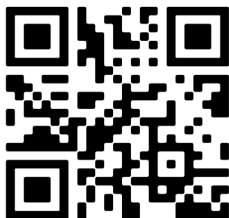
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# 2019 FEL Pinot Noir, Anderson Valley



<b>Story:</b>	Experience Anderson Valley's cool climate with this exceptional Pinot Noir. Incorporating top vineyards from throughout the appellation, this wine offers deep fruit character with all the earth and nuance Pinot lovers admire.
<b>Composition:</b>	100% Pinot Noir
<b>Winemaking:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The fruit was harvested at an average of 24.2° Brix.</li><li>• Five to seven-day cold soak at 55°F, a nine-day primary fermentation peaking at 88-92°F.</li><li>• Three-day extended maceration.</li></ul>
<b>Aging:</b>	Sixteen months in 60-gallon French oak barrels, 38% of which were new
<b>Tasting Notes:</b>	This wine is sourced from multiple vineyards and is an excellent example of what makes Anderson Valley such a special place to farm Pinot Noir. Vineyards in the in-land end of the valley are more protected from the constant coastal breeze off the Pacific and provide lovely fruit aromas of black cherry, raspberry, and plum. Vineyards planted in what locals call the "Deep End" close to the ocean are even cooler and the Pinot Noir is more spice driven with notes of cedar, cigar box, and cinnamon. The balance of these fruit and spice components shows off the complexity found in the appellation and the elegantly balanced tannins provide a luscious, lingering finish.
<b>Channel Mix:</b>	On-General: 50% On-Chain: 15% Off-General: 25% Off-Chain: 10%
<b>Wine List Standard:</b>	Wine List Preferred: 2019 FEL Pinot Noir, Anderson Valley Wine List Acceptable: FEL Pinot Noir, Anderson Valley, 2019



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