

# SULLIVAN<sup>®</sup>

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## RUTHERFORD ESTATE

### 2019 COEUR de VIGNE



#### VINTAGE NOTES:

The 2019 vintage brought late winter and spring rains that saturated the ground and provided the vineyards with robust growth. Meticulous canopy management was needed to rein in the vines and channel nutrients towards fruit development and maturity. The remainder of the growing season was ideal, with no major heat or rain events. High temperatures remained in the mid to high 80s, which led to uniform sugar, flavor and phenolic development amongst the vines. This was a truly fantastic season that allowed for the creation of wines of scale and purity.

#### WINEMAKER NOTES:

The 2019 Coeur de Vigne represents a vibrant rendition of a classic Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon. Made up of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot, the nose offers rich aromas of blackberry and blueberry that meld with hints of graphite, lavender and thyme. This wine is full-bodied on the palate with mouthcoating tannins, while also maintaining bright acidity. Flavors of tart fruit and cocoa dusted coffee beans flirt with baking spices. The long finish highlights undertones of toasted new oak, suggesting the wine will develop beautifully over time.

**APPELLATION:**  
Rutherford

**VARIETALS:** 88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Petit Verdot, 2% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc

**WINEMAKER:**  
Jeff Cole

**RETAIL:**  
\$120

**VINEYARD:**  
Sullivan Estate  
Evans Vineyard

**PRODUCTION:**  
1250 cases

**BARREL AGING:**  
22 months 87% New  
French Oak

**ALCOHOL:**  
14.8%

	Anthony Dias Blue	James Suckling	Jeb Dunnuck	Wine Advocate	Wine Enthusiast	Wine Spectator
2019	94					
2018	95	93	92	91	94	93
2017	94	93		91	92	
2016			92			
2015		95		92		