

2019 ILARIA

NAPA VALLEY

MALBEC

The 2019 Iλία Malbec bursts from the glass with seductive aromatics of huckleberry compote, blackberry liqueur and creme de cassis. This wine showcases opulent ripe blue and black fruits complimented by layers of shaved dark chocolate, roasted herbs, white pepper and crushed volcanic rock. The palate offers great tannin structure and weight yet the wine is soft, round and voluptuous. This wine is very approachable now and will continue to age beautifully for some time.

92 POINTS – THE WINE ADVOCATE (Lisa Perrotti-Brown)

Composed of 80% Malbec and 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, the deep garnet-purple colored 2019 Malbec delivers intense scents of baked plums, boysenberries and violets, with hints of licorice and a touch of tar. Medium to full-bodied, it has a solid structure of ripe, velvety tannins and bags of freshness supporting the generous black fruits, finishing with great length. 10/29/21.

92 POINTS – JEB DUNNUCK

Blueberries, violets, cassis, and hints of graphite all emerge from the 2019 Malbec, a medium to full-bodied, classy red revealing background oak, ripe tannins, and outstanding length. A blend of 80% Malbec and 20% Cabernet Sauvignon aged 22 months in 50% new French oak, it will keep for over a decade. 3/10/22.

VARIETAL	<i>80% Malbec 20% Cabernet Sauvignon</i>
REGION	<i>80% Coombsville 20% Atlas Peak Foothills</i>
SOIL	<i>Gravelly rocky loam</i>
FARMING	<i>Sustainable</i>
OAK	<i>100% French oak (50% new oak)</i>
AGING	<i>22 months in barrel</i>
ALCOHOL	<i>14.8%</i>

