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VINTAGE **2018** 

CALIFORNIA

# **GOLD RUSH RED BLEND 2018**

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### THE STORY

A leader in crafting wine aged in bourbon barrels, 1000 Stories melds California's winemaking heritage with America's storied bourbon culture. Expertly crafted by Master Winemaker Bob Blue from renowned California vineyards, 1000 Stories gets its acclaimed nuance and complexity from time spent in charred bourbon barrels—revealing a uniquely American story in every glass.

## THE JOURNEY

The California Gold Rush signaled a new era thrumming with bravery, bravado and curiosity—characteristics that inspire the rich, bold flavor of our Gold Rush Red. A blend of classic California varietals, including Merlot, Pinot Noir and Zinfandel, this layered offering balances ripe, juicy red fruit with heady notes of spice box and char. In signature 1000 Stories fashion, Gold Rush Red was aged in traditional French and American oak, with a portion finished in charred bourbon barrels before the final blend was assembled.

### THE WINE

Our 2018 Gold Rush Red leads with the velvety-smooth texture of Merlot and the subtle style of Pinot Noir, marrying Merlot's ripe raspberry and blackberry notes with a thread of cinnamon and nutmeg spice from the Pinot Noir. Petite Sirah lends an inky purple hue and pleasing minerality to the blend, while Zinfandel rounds out the wine's luscious core of berry and spice. This red blend culminates in a bourbon-barrel finish of dried herbs and charred vanilla.

BOB BLUE, WINEMAKER

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**TOTAL ACIDITY:** 0.58g/100mL **pH:** 3.62

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0.52g/100mL ALCOHOL: 14.5%

