

2018 CASASMITH CINGHIALE SANGIOVESE

TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

Let me start off by saying what I don't like about this wine...NOTHING!!! Aromatic: tobacco leaf, cedar plank, suede and chanterelle. Medium/full bodied and multidimensional. Pan grilled dark spices and dry tomato leaf. Your mouth, this wine, PERFECTO!



VINTAGE NOTES

The 2018 vintage was incredible! This outstanding vintage began mild followed by a long and dry ripening season in the fall. This enabled us to hang the fruit to reach optimal ripeness without losing acidity or increasing sugars. The wines from 2018 are exceptional in many ways, from the great expression of the whites to the beautiful refinement and complexity of the reds. Enjoy!

CURRENT & PAST SCORES

92 Points, James Suckling

"A very attractive wine with dried-cherry, walnut and light wet-earth character. It's medium to full-bodied with brightness and energy at the end. Drink or hold."

91 Points, Jeb Dunnuck (v2017)

"Also terrific, the 2018 Sangiovese Cinghiale has complex, savory notes of dried herbs, new leather, and ripe cherries. Medium-bodied and seamless on the palate, with no hard edges, it's another wine under this label that delivers the goods at a great price. Drink it over the coming 4-6 years as well."

WINEMAKING

Varietal Breakdown: 100% Sangiovese

Appellation: Wahluke Slope

Vineyard(s): Rosebud Vineyard (69%); Wahluke Slope (31%)

Production: 3.5 tons per acre | Native yeast | 100% whole berry fermentation | 35 days on skins | 100% neutral upright French oak tanks | 10 months aged on lees **Wine Analysis:** 5.2 g/L titratable acidity | 3.64 pH | 14.5% alcohol | No residual sugar

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