



# 2019 CASASMITH CINGHIALE SANGIOVESE

## TASTING NOTES BY WINEMAKER CHARLES SMITH

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Color of red brick. Aroma of pipe tobacco, tomato skin and candle wax. Taut with energy and shimmering in the glass. Persistent. Unfolding. Delicious.



## VINTAGE NOTES

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The 2019 vintage was on the cooler side as it started slow with later-than-usual bud break and continued on to be fairly moderate throughout the year. Some vineyards had issues with an October freeze a bit earlier than usual, but our high-elevation vineyards have great air drainage which allows us to extend the growing season late into October without freeze. This yielded fantastic ripening and some awesome wines with incredible balance and character. Overall, we are excited about the wine produced in 2019, which has brought us more finesse, incredible flavors and lovely balance.

## CURRENT & PAST SCORES

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### 91 Points, *James Suckling*

“Lots of orange peel and strawberry with chewy character and a medium, flavorful finish. Delicious sangiovese. Drink now.”

### 91 Points, *Jeb Dunnuck*

“Lots of ripe cherry and strawberry fruits as well as floral nuances define the 2019 Sangiovese Cinghiale, a medium-bodied, incredibly elegant, silky expression of Sangiovese. With light, polished tannins, loads of up-front sweet fruit, and terrific balance, it should evolve for a good 5-6 years, if not longer.”

## WINEMAKING

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**Varietal Breakdown:** 100% Sangiovese

**Appellation:** Wahluke Slope

**Vineyard(s):** Wahluke Slope and Rosebud

**Production:** 4.2 tons per acre | Native yeast | 100% whole berry fermentation | 39 days on skins | 100% neutral upright French oak tanks | 10 months aged on lees

**Wine Analysis:** 6.1 g/L titratable acidity | 3.53 pH | 15% alcohol | No residual sugar

**UPC:** 184745007026

