



## 2018 SMD

The 2018 SMD gives up dark, toasty cherry and plum notes followed by mocha, cedar, creosote, saddle leather, a whiff of chocolate cake, and forest floor with some graphite. The bright, juicy blackberries on the palate burst forward with chunky tannins that turn silky, giving structure to a long fruited wine of purity.

All of the wines spent 19 months in French oak barrels and were bottled unfiltered. The wines show the best of their vibrancy in the first decade, while being able to age longer, and in the short-term benefit from being decanted to allow them to open up fully.

## **SPRING MOUNTAIN AVA**

VARIETAL: 100% CABERNET

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

**pH**: 3.77

**TA:** 5.88

CASES: 564

MSRP: \$85

## THE FRIAS FAMILY

In 1977, our family purchased 100 acres in the iconic Spring Mountain District of Napa Valley. We planted just 5 acres in 1985 and launched FRIAS Family Vineyard with our first vintage in 1991. FRIAS now has only 13 acres of hillside vineyards planted to Cabernet Sauvignon. We source premium fruit from Oakville & Yountville AVAs.

Second generation brothers Fernando and Manny Frias Jr. are at the helm of this artisanal family winery. Todd Heth has been our winemaker since 2004.