



## **2018 La Sirena Barrett Vineyard Syrah** **Winemaker Notes/Fact Sheet**

Announcing a new release of Barrett Vineyard Syrah from La Sirena! We're excited to bring back this delicious cult-favorite wine. Syrah has been a big part of our brand since we first produced it in 2000, and we have been through many iterations and vineyard sources over the years. In recent times, we have mainly been producing Syrah-based blends like our current products Pirate TreasuRed and Studio Series, and now-discontinued blends Le Barrettagage and Art Bus. We grow 2 acres of Estate Syrah at our property in Calistoga, and in the 2018 vintage, it was just so incredibly delicious that I had to give it its own bottling once again! The last vintage of 100% Barrett Syrah before this was all the way back in 2007. We are delighted to welcome back this very special wine for a limited bottling of 135 cases, and hope you love it as much as we do!

### **Just the Facts:**

Harvest Date: Sept 27, 2018

Blend: 100% Syrah from Barrett Vineyard, Calistoga AVA (Napa Valley)

Some Chemistry: 14.8% alc. T.A. 6.3, pH 3.85

100% French oak barrels 35% new for 22 months

Bottling date: June 23, 2020

Release date: April 14, 2023

Production: 135 cases

### **Tasting Notes: 2018 Barrett Vineyard Syrah (tasted 11/6/22 by HPB)**

*The 2018 Syrah from La Sirena is a dark purplish-black with aromas of ripe black plums, bacon, blackberry jam, BBQ sauce, and black tea. Dense, chewy and ripe across the palate with a nice mid-palate texture and weight. Rich, structured, and complex, with a long evolving finish. This vintage produced a delicious Syrah that we decided to bottle on its own, unblended, to show how delicious and special Syrah can be flying solo. Tiny production of 135 cases – mouthcoating and yummy, and simply begging to be paired with steak!*

Why “La Sirena”? The name means “the Mermaid” in Spanish and Italian. I chose it because I’m a lifelong ocean lover, longtime scuba diver, and wanted a winery name that was fun & magical (like wine) and also personal to me. The first vintage of La Sirena was 1994, with the first Cabernet Sauvignon made in 1996. Our current wine lineup: **Cabernet Sauvignon**, **Chardonnay**, **Moscato Azul** (dry Muscat Canneli), **Rosato** (rosé of Primitivo), **Malbec**, and our two proprietary winemaker red blends, **Studio Series** and **Pirate TreasuRed**. Production is always small, focusing on fine wines of purity and excellence. Wishing you all the best!

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Heidi P. Barrett'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized 'H' and 'B'.

Heidi Peterson Barrett

Winemaker/ Owner, La Sirena