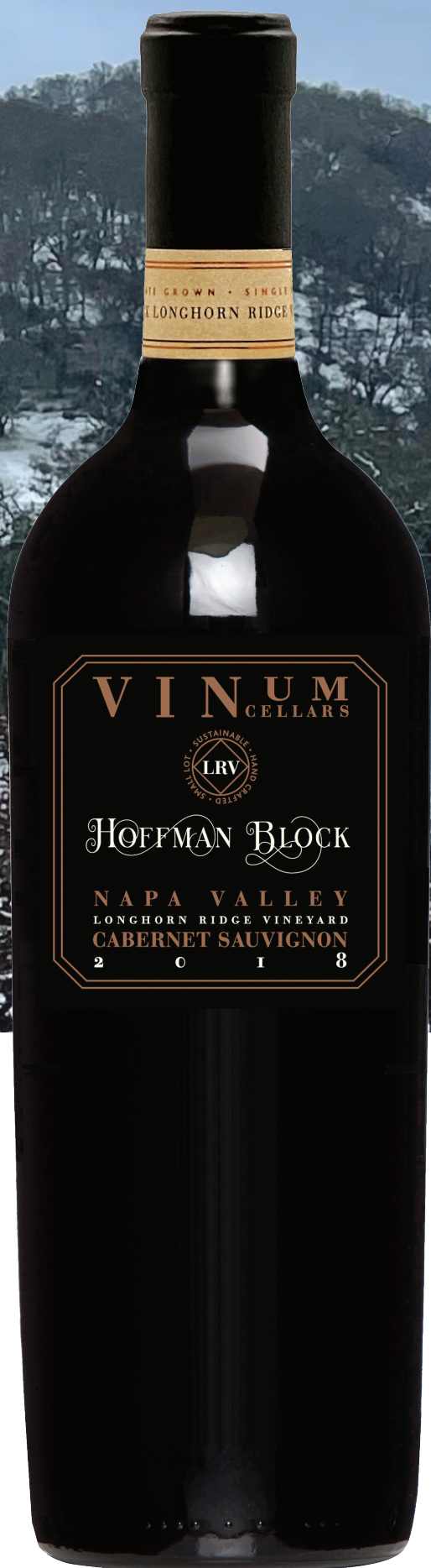


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## NAPA CABERNET, HOFFMAN BLOCK 2018 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, NAPA VALLEY

**RP:** The vineyard is off Monticello Road on the way up towards Atlas Peak, and the wines often seem to share some Atlas Peak austerity. The 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon Longhorn Ridge Vineyard Hoffman Block delivers cool, mentholated scents of cassis, plus a hint of sage as well. In the mouth, it's medium to full-bodied, rich, concentrated and tannic. It needs time but shows greater concentration and ripe blackberry notes than the 2017. Give it a few years in the cellar.

**JS:** Black berry, black olive and blackcurrant aromas and flavors. Dried herbs. Medium-bodied, slightly chewy with a linear and slightly austere tannin texture. Drink now or hold.