

## **GRIEVE FAMILY WINERY REVIEWS**

## **DOUBLE EAGLE RED BLEND 2016**

**93pts** "Lots of ripe fruit with dried-berry, plum and blueberry character. It's full-bodied with a pretty core of exotic and very ripe fruit. Some walnut and chocolate, too. Flavorful finish." - James Suckling

**92pts** "Deep purple color. Aromas of juicy blackberries, blueberries, with tar, anise, roasted coffee and cedar, classic, deep, inviting Napa goodness. Full and suave on the palate with velvety tannins and fresh acidity, finely balanced. Ripe blackberry and smoky blueberry with plummy, sauce tones, backed up by complex graphite, mineral, charcoal and tobacco. Boastful but nuanced and fresh, too. Delicious, exciting stuff. Cabernet Sauvignon with 10% Petit Verdot." - Isaac Baker, Terroirist

**91pts** "A definitive Cabernet from the very first sniff and fit with a generous amount of very deep, blackcurrant fruit buttressed by a sensible complement of sweet oak, the 2016 Grieve Family Double Eagle Red Wine is a weighty, well-structured effort that, even though still a bit youthfully tight, clearly has the fruity concentration and extract to age splendidly. And, age it must, for at least a half-decade if not more, before it fully opens from its slightly nascent and still-closed-in adolescence." – *Connoisseur's Guide* 

## DOUBLE EAGLE RED BLEND 2018

**94pts** "Winemaker Philippe Melka composed this blend of 91% Cabernet Sauvignon and 9% Petit Verdot, aged 18 months in 67% new French oak. The wine is, at first, tightly wound in its youth. Chalky tannins, black pepper and spiced cedar defined its textured entry. Fruit becomes riper and more balanced with melt-in-your-mouth chocolate. Powerful and elegant." – Meridith May, Tasting Panel

**91pts** "Composed of 91% Cabernet Sauvignon and 9% Merlot, the deep garnet-purple colored 2018 Double Eagle Red rolls effortlessly out of the glass with notions of ripe red and blackcurrants, chocolate-covered cherries and mulberries plus hints of menthol, pencil lead and cloves. Medium to full-bodied, the palate delivers mouth-filling, crunchy black fruits, framed by grainy tannins and loads of freshness, finishing long and lifted." – *Lisa Perrotti-Brown, Wine Advocate* 

**91pts** "Based on 91% Cabernet Sauvignon and 9% Merlot, the 2018 Double Eagle Red Wine reveals a dense purple color as well as ripe, powerful notes of black and blue fruits, toasted spice, graphite, candied violets, and orange zest. Medium to full-bodied, concentrated, and nicely balanced, it has ripe tannins, plenty of freshness, and the class to evolve for 15-20 years." – *Jeb Dunnuck* 



**90pts** "Dark ruby; dark cherry and blackberry fruit aroma with hints of mint, mocha, and tobacco leaf; full body; big, rough, textured, cedary, dark berry fruit flavors; full tannin; lingering aftertaste. Currently a bit subdued and could use a few more years of bottle aging. Very highly recommended." – *Nick Passamore, California Grapevine*