



2022 29 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Composition: 99% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Petit Verdot

Harvest Dates: September 7 – October 19, 2022

Barrel Age: 20 months, 82% new, 100% French oak

Cooperage: Taransaud, Ermitage, Baron, Cadus, Saury

Bottling Date: June 3, 2024

Release Date: October 1, 2025

Cases Produced: 595

THE VINEYARD Our 29 Estate Vineyard sits on a hillside just at the “pinch” of Napa Valley’s hourglass shape. Excellent airflow provides natural frost protection, while the fertile clay loam soils encourage deeply rooted vines, yielding powerfully concentrated cabernet sauvignon tempered by markedly floral, velvet elegance and explosive aromatic.

THE VINTAGE The 2022 growing season began in early March following a few wet winter months, which set the stage for an excellent bud-break. Timing was in-line with the five-year average, and warmer temperatures during the last week of February helped to push smooth development across the valley. April was a bit cooler than average, and some vineyards had to be protected from potential frost damage, but things warmed up in May providing adequate conditions for bloom and fruit set. The summer months of the growing season were remarkably consistent with warm days and cool nights—a perfect diurnal weather pattern for flavor development and bright acidity. During Labor Day weekend, an unprecedented period of triple digit highs shocked the valley—nine days straight of triple digits. Several vineyards were harvested during or soon after the heat wave while others held strong into the first two weeks of October, when the last of the fruit made its way to the winery. Much of the late ripening fruit came from the Rutherford and Oakville areas.

THE WINE The 2022 Vineyard 29 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is a bold, luxurious expression of the St. Helena estate. The nose is immediately captivating, with layers of black currant, ripe blackberry, and cassis, interwoven with graphite, dark chocolate and dried lavender. On the palate, the wine is densely packed yet beautifully composed, delivering powerful dark fruit flavors of black currant, crème de cassis, and blueberry reduction. A polished thread of espresso bean, anise, and well-integrated French oak runs through the mid-palate, adding depth and nuance. The finish is long and focused marked by lingering notes of mocha, crushed rock, and wild berry. This is a cellar-worthy Cabernet Sauvignon with remarkable tension, structure, and finesse—offering both immediate pleasure and long-term aging potential over the next 15–20 years.