

# 2021 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon Sierra Foothills

California was founded on the promise of gold and that is the standard we hold ourselves to. Inspired by breath-taking natural beauty and a sense of discovery, we produce high quality wine from sustainably farmed grapes that are intended to be a part of your next adventure.

## **TASTING NOTES:**

This wine releases layers of aromas as it aerates, including oak spice, cedar, cinnamon candy, violets, and licorice root, all backed by a core of ripe blackberry. Round, juicy, dark berry and plum flavors surround a strong central tannic backbone from start to finish. You'll enjoy this wine's mouth coating tannins and medium-full body with lingering tart cherry flavors.

### WINEMAKING NOTES:

The 2021 vintage was hot during harvest and overall produced big but soft wines that are not too grippy. This classic California cabernet sauvignon grew in a vineyard that is dry farmed with sandy, well drained soils. The specific clonal selection of cabernet sauvignon is clone 8, which is known for its excellent fruit characteristics, deep pigment, and strong tannic profile.

We destemmed the fruit but did not crush it, and whole berry fermented this wine for 14 days with a Bordeaux yeast. After fermentation we lightly pressed the wine off the skins so as not to extract too much harsh tannin, as we were looking for a round and lush mouthfeel to balance the ample body of the wine. The pressed wine went straight to barrel to age for 20 months before bottling.

### AGING:

Aged for 18 months in 50% new oak barrels and 50% neutral barrels.

### **FOOD PAIRING:**

Pair Cabernet Sauvignon with rich, hearty, and bold flavors. Steaks like a marinated ribeye are always a good idea, as are gourmet burgers, meatballs, brisket, short ribs, and stroganoff. Pair with flavorful cheeses like aged cheddar, gouda, or gorgonzola. Great vegetarian pairings include mushroom pizza, marinated and grilled portobella mushrooms, mushroom risotto, eggplant parmesan, and a hearty veggie chili.



WINE SPECS: 85% CABERNET SAUVIGNON 15% MERLOT 14% ALCOHOL \$40 PER BOTTLE ACCOLADES

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