

HEADLINE

2023 ALEXANDER VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

91 PTS. | WINE ENTHUSIAST

Blend: 95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Cabernet Franc

Alc: 14.5% by vol. | **Aging:** 10 Months in French oak, 30% new

pH: 3.6 | **Acidity:** 5.7 g/mL | **Residual Sugar:** 2 g/L

VINEYARDS

The 2023 Cabernet Sauvignon from Alexander Valley underwent a meticulous vinification process to fully express the distinctive characteristics of this Sonoma County region. The grapes, sourced from carefully selected vineyards with ideal microclimates and soil compositions, were harvested at optimal ripeness to ensure a balance of rich flavors and structured tannins. After destemming and gentle crushing, the must was fermented in temperature-controlled stainless steel tanks to preserve the integrity of the fruit and allow for precise extraction of color and tannins. This controlled fermentation also facilitated the development of the wine's deep, complex flavor profile. The wine underwent malolactic fermentation to soften the acidity and enhance the mouthfeel, adding a creamy texture to the wine's already robust profile. The Cabernet Sauvignon was then aged in French oak barrels, a portion of which were new, to impart depth and complexity. This oak aging process introduced subtle notes of vanilla, spice, and toast, which were carefully balanced to complement, not overshadow, the wine's natural fruit characteristics.

WINE

This Cabernet Sauvignon from Alexander Valley is a distinguished wine that showcases the elegance and robust character typical of this renowned Sonoma County region. It features a deep, rich garnet color, indicative of its concentrated flavors. On the nose, this Cabernet Sauvignon offers a compelling array of aromas, including dark cherries, ripe blackcurrants, and a hint of blueberry, elegantly layered with notes of cedar, leather, and a touch of dark chocolate, adding sophistication and complexity. The palate is full-bodied and powerful, delivering a rich tapestry of dark fruit flavors that mirror the aromatic profile. These are seamlessly integrated with nuances of mocha, vanilla, and a subtle earthiness, derived from its meticulous aging in French oak barrels. The tannins are well-structured and velvety, providing excellent backbone and balance, leading to a long, opulent finish with a lingering note of spice and toasted oak. This 2023 Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is a luxurious expression of the varietal, ideal for pairing with hearty meat dishes or for savoring on its own during a special occasion.



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