

METHOD

2023 CALIFORNIA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

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Blend: 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, 10% Petite Sitah

Alc: 14.5% by vol. | **Aging:** 18 Months in French oak

pH: 3.8 | **Acidity:** 5.6 g/mL | **Residual Sugar:** 2 g/L

VINEYARDS

Crafted with meticulous attention to detail, reflecting the dedication to quality and expression of the region's finest attributes. The grapes were selectively harvested from premium vineyards, chosen for their superior fruit and optimal growing conditions, ensuring a rich concentration of flavors. After careful sorting, the grapes underwent a controlled fermentation process in stainless steel tanks to preserve the integrity and purity of the fruit flavors. This was followed by malolactic fermentation to soften the wine's natural acidity and enhance the richness of the palate. For maturation, the wine was aged in high-quality French oak barrels, a significant portion of which were new. This oak aging, typically extending for 18 months, was crucial for imparting depth, adding layers of vanilla, spice, and subtle toasty notes, while allowing the tannins to integrate smoothly into the wine's structure. The careful balance of new and seasoned oak ensured that the oak characteristics enhanced the wine's robust fruit profile without overshadowing it.

WINE

A masterpiece of winemaking, showcasing the depth and elegance that the state's vineyards can produce. This wine displays a deep, mesmerizing ruby color, indicative of its rich and complex nature. On the nose, it exudes a luxurious bouquet of dark fruits like blackcurrant, black cherry, and a hint of plum, beautifully layered with sophisticated notes of cedar, leather, and dark chocolate. These aromas are complemented by subtle undertones of vanilla and spice, derived from meticulous aging in premium French oak barrels. The palate is robust and full-bodied, offering a velvety texture and an abundance of ripe, dark fruit flavors that echo the nose. The wine is impeccably balanced, with silky tannins and a vibrant acidity that leads to a long, opulent finish. Notes of mocha and a touch of minerality add further complexity, making this 2023 California Cabernet Sauvignon a truly exquisite wine, perfect for special occasions or cellaring for future enjoyment.

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