



VINEYARDS 2021 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2021 Cabernet Sauvignon - 750ml

Appellation: Blend:

Alexander Valley

First Vintage: 1975

Cabernet Sauvignon 93%

Malbec 1.5% Petit Verdot 1.5%,

Merlot 3%

Cabernet Franc 1%

Harvest Date:

9/7 - 10/15/21

Cave Aged:

14 months 25% new American & French oak barrels

Alcohol: 14% UPC: 0-85798 02872-6

pH: 3.65 **SRP:** \$28 **TA:** 6.2 g/L

RS: 0.15 g/L

Also Available: 3.0L, 1.5L

& 375ml stelvin

In the late 1960s we bottled a few cases of Cabernet Sauvignon for friends and family. That homemade wine became the inspiration for our estate winery, Alexander Valley Vineyards. Decades later both our winery and our iconic valley are known as the home of world class Cabernet Sauvignon.

2021 was almost a perfect growing season, though it began with a cold start, and lack of rain. The weather warmed up, but the drought continued. This was followed by weeks of steady daytime heat and cool evenings. The berries ripened evenly, however yields were a bit lighter than in prior vintages due to the lack of rainfall. Harvest began on September 7th, and the quality of the fruit was excellent with high acidity and intense flavors. The wine was aged for 14 months in 25% new French and American oak barrels.

The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon is a classic Alexander Valley Cab with medium body, great fruit flavors and smooth, structured tannins. Winemaker Kevin Hall added Merlot for structure, and Malbec and Petit Verdot for color.

This is an elegant wine with earthy aromas of cassis, plum, cherry, vanilla, oak and slight chocolate. In the glass there are lush flavors of cherry, cassis, blackberry and chocolate. The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon is a structured wine with firm tannins and a chewy finish that evolves with each sip. While fruit forward upon release, this wine will reward those with the patience to lay down a few bottles.

Profile:

Loads of dark spicy fruit. Plush, supple tannins.

Pairing Suggestions:

Grilled or pan seared beef, lamb or tuna is a classic.

Accolades:

2021: 92 points - James Suckling

2021: Double Gold Medal - Hilton Head International Wine Competition

2021: Gold Medal - San Antonio Stock Show & Rodeo International Wine Competition

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