

# ALEXANDER VALLEY VINEYARDS

## 2020 Homestead Red Blend

Homestead Red Blend celebrates winemaking in Northern Sonoma County's Alexander Valley. The 2020 is a blend of six of our favorite grapes. Each varietal adds complexity and dimension to this well balanced wine. Winemaker Kevin Hall anchored the blend with rich, concentrated Merlot, added Zinfandel for spicy notes, Cabernet Sauvignon for elegant structure, Grenache for berry flavors, Syrah for more bright spicy flavors and floral aromatics and Mourvedre for additional texture.

The 2020 growing season enjoyed near-perfect growing conditions. The year began with unseasonably warm temperatures, and lower than normal rainfall. This was followed by weeks of steady daytime heat and cool evenings, allowing the grapes to ripen evenly. At harvest, the quality of the fruit was excellent with high acidity and intense flavors.

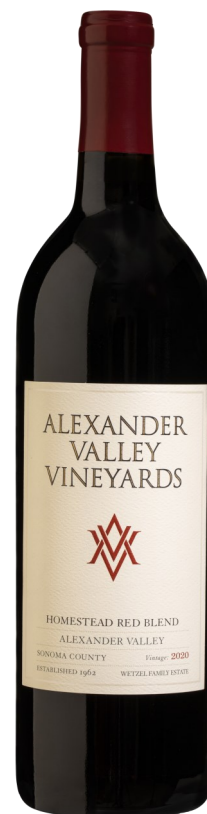
Each individual lot for Homestead Red Blend was picked, fermented and barrel aged separately in order to maximize complexity and broaden the flavors in the glass.

This dark purple wine has complex aromas of black cherry, spice, plum, cassis, blueberry, oak and vanilla. This is a medium bodied wine with spicy dark fruit flavors of berry, plum, cherry, oak and vanilla. Lush and juicy this wine has beautiful balance and a long structured finish.

**Food Pairing:** Perfect with red meats. Try it with burgers, classic shepherds pie or long slow braised dishes.

**Accolades:**

- 2020: 93 points & Best of Class of Appellation** - California State Fair
- 2020: 92 points & Gold Medal** - Sunset International Wine Competition
- 2020: 92 points** - James Suckling
- 2020: 91 points** - Tasting Panel Magazine
- 2020: 91 points & Gold Medal** - Toast of the Coast
- 2020: Gold Medal** - San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition
- 2020: Gold Medal** - Boston Wine Competition
- 2020: Gold Medal** - Hilton Head Island Wine & Food Festival



**Profile:**

- Aromatic, juicy berry flavors
- Medium bodied, nicely balanced, long finish

### Back label features Sustainable logo:

Over the decades we have created and utilized many sustainable practices in our vineyards and winery. We're highlighting our commitment by prominently displaying the Sonoma County Sustainably Farmed Grapes logo on the back label of this bottle.

Sustainability ensures that our business, rural lifestyle and agricultural heritage will be maintained for years to come.

Every time a consumer purchases a bottle of wine with this logo, they are assured that it was produced in an environmentally friendly way by passionate stewards of the land.

### Technical Data:

**Grapes:** Merlot 42%, Zinfandel 40%, Cabernet Sauvignon 6%, Grenache 5%, Syrah 4%, 3% Mourvèdre

**Harvest:** August 24 - October 15, 2020

**Barrel Regimen:** 12 months in French and American oak

**Alcohol:** 14.0% **pH:** 3.74 **TA:** 5.9 g/L

**Closure:** Cork **Cases:** 11,495 **SRP:** \$24

**UPC:** 0-85798-66608-9 **First Vintage:** 2009



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