

# SEBASTIANI

VINEYARDS & WINERY



2019

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ALEXANDER VALLEY

MARK BEAMAN, WINEMAKER

TECHNICAL DETAILS

## APPELLATION

Alexander Valley

## COMPOSITION

81% Cabernet Sauvignon,  
6% Syrah, 6% Petit Verdot  
5% Merlot, 2% Petite Sirah

## COOPERAGE

16 months in French and  
Hungarian oak, 15% new

## ALCOHOL

14.9%

## TA

0.52 g/100ml

## pH

3.70

## BOTTLING DATE

May 12, 2021

## VINEYARDS

Alexander Valley is located north of the town of Healdsburg in Sonoma County. It is one of the warmer AVAs in the region making it the perfect spot for red Bordeaux grapes. The fruit for our 2019 vintage came primarily from the Vimark Vineyard located in the north eastern tip of Alexander Valley. This vineyard site is comprised of well-drained, alluvial soils located next to the Russian River which adds concentration and distinct minerality.

## VINTAGE

The 2019 growing season started later than usual in many California wine regions. A wet spring followed by cool temperatures allowed the grapes to mature gradually. Cool temperatures continued throughout the growing season resulting in longer hang time and lower sugar yields. Vintners are praising the full flavors, fresh acidity and superb balance of the 2019 vintage.

## WINEMAKING

The grapes were crushed and destemmed to a stainless steel tank for a two-day cold soak, then fermented to dryness at relatively warm temperatures. After pressing the wine off the skins, it was racked to a mixture of barrels and stainless steel tanks for malolactic fermentation. The wine aged for 16 months in 15% new French and Hungarian oak barrels, with the remaining in neutral oak barrels.

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Our 2019 Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon opens with aromas of cherry liqueur, ripe plum, strawberry compote and fresh leather. The palate offers lovely fruit flavors of cherry kirsch, strawberry preserves and warm spice. Soft, plush tannins and well balanced acidity lead to an elegant, oak tinged finish.

- Mark Beaman, *Winemaker*