

ODE TO THE

BEAST

2021 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ALEXANDER VALLEY





BOLD. UNAPOLOGETIC. WE DEEPLY RESPECT A TRULY COMPELLING CABERNET SAUVIGNON FOR ITS BOLDNESS, FULL-FLAVOR AND BEST EXPRESSION OF THE LAND. OUR 'ODE TO THE BEAST' IS A TRIBUTE TO WHERE IT ALL BEGAN FOR US, BOLD CABERNET FROM THE ALEXANDER VALLEY. THIS SMALL-LOT ALEXANDER VALLEY CABERNET WAS CRAFTED WITH A BORDERLINE OBSESSIVE ATTENTION TO DETAIL, WITH ONLY THE BEST BARRELS SELECTED. OUR MOST BEASTLY WINE, IT IS MADE ONLY FOR THE BOLD AT HEART.

OUR THOUGHTS

Our 2021 Ode to the Beast Cabernet Sauvignon opens with intense aromas of dark fruits, cinnamon, vanilla, and nutmeg. The palate offers complex, layered flavors of black currant, tobacco, cocoa, and baking spices. Bold tannins are softened by a rich mouthfeel and a smooth, lingering finish. Enjoy now or cellar for 10+ years for additional complexity.

2019 VINTAGE

The winter of 2020-2021 had minimal rainful and mild temperatures leading to drought conditions through the California's North Coast. With a warmer than average winter and spring, budbreak was two weeks ahead of normal Summer was warm and dry, with a few short heat spikes. The warm weather resulted in benefitfully ripened fruit and a fairly early harvest.

VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

The Beast Cabernet Sauvignon is made from the best valvyard sites within the steep hillsides of Alexander Valley. The region's low vigor, volcane soils coupled with the balance of warm days and cool nights provide intense and concentrated fruit. After harvest, the fruit was fermented in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks where it was cold-soaked and pumped over once a day for several days. Once fermentation was complete, the wine was transferred to barrel and stirred weekly until maloiactic fermentation was complete. After 24 months of aging in 25% new French oak, our winemaker chose only the best barrels for the final blend.

COMPOSITION & ANALYSIS

95% Cabernet Sauvignon 5% Petit Verdot

Sur lie aged in French oak for 24 months (25% new)

Titratable Acidity: 6.05 g/L | pH: 3.95 | Alcohol by Volume: 15.2%

Cases Produced 458