

2022 ABEL | STAGS LEAP DISTRICT

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WINEMAKING

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

99% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Petit Verdot

> BRIX AT HARVEST Average 24.7°

BARREL AGING REGIMEN Aged 21 months in 80% new oak

> OVERALL OAK PROFILE 100% French oak

> > **pH:** 3.53 | **TA:** 6.24 g/L

ALCOHOL: 14.3% by volume

Heritage

SILVERADO VINEYARD -

One of the first four vineyards planted to Cabernet in the appellation in the 1960s, the Silverado Vineyard helped establish the reputation of the Stags Leap District. The vineyard produces Cabernet with excellent acid structure and fine-grained tannin, all classic characteristics of wines from the region. This vineyard is the heart and soul of all our Cabernets.

Soils + Climate

Silverado Vineyards' steep, shale soils and western exposures to

the late afternoon sun come together to produce fruit with the character and structure for which the Stags Leap District came to be known.

Vintage

The winter of 2021-2022 had minimal rainfall, adding to drought conditions in Napa Valley. With mild winter and spring temperatures, budbreak was earlier than average. Summer was warm and dry, with above average temperatures in August and September, leading to an early and condensed harvest, with plenty of ripe fruit flavors. The fruit for this wine was harvested September 21 and October 7-8, 2022.

Tasting Notes

The 2022 Abel Cabernet Sauvignon displays a dark garnet-ruby color in the glass. Aromas of spice, cedar, tobacco, and pomegranate lead to delicate, yet bold characters on the palate. Black raspberry, blackberry blossom and vanilla flavors framed by rich tannin coalesce in a smooth, lingering finish

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