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VINEYARD



PASO ROBLES

2022 | Cabernet Sauvignon

Founded in 1972, Firestone was the first major estate winery to sink roots in Santa Barbara County. The winery's proximity to the Pacific Ocean, a mere 26 miles to the west, ensures a relatively mild and arid climate throughout the year. The moderate weather and complex, rocky soils make this a perfect setting for our 340 acres of Bordeaux, Rhône and Burgundian varieties.

VINEYARDS For a region that has been growing grapes since 1797, Paso Robles has become one of the most popular AVAs in California. Located between Santa Barbara and Monterey, this rolling countryside is synonymous with big, rich, high-character wines. The grapes for this Cabernet Sauvignon come from three vineyards near Paso Robles – from gently rolling south facing blocks, valley floor vineyards along a river and eastern facing vineyards on hills to the northeast. This region enjoys a moderately cool climate thanks to the influence of the nearby Pacific Ocean.

VINTAGE Southern California's drought conditions continued in the 2022 growing season. Cool summer weather patterns delayed grape maturity until August, when hot days coupled with unusually warm nights pushed the fruit toward harvest readiness. Firestone had its earliest pick in the last 6 years, and was completely picked by October 19th.

WINEMAKER NOTES A true representation of Cabernet Sauvignon from Paso Robles, this wine expresses aromatics of rich black plum fruit, sweet fennel seed and blackberries. On the palate, the wine has smooth, elegant tannins with notes of roasted coffee bean and cocoa on the finish that complement the rich juicy blue fruit notes of black plum, blackberry, and ribbons of cassis.

APPELLATION Paso Robles

COMPOSITION 95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Petit Verdot

ALCOHOL 13.9% | **TA** 5.63 g/L | **pH** 3.84

AGING 5 Months in French oak, 5% new

PRODUCTION 3,620 Cases

