

2022 SONOMA COUNTY

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABILITY



WEATHER CONDITIONS FOR VINTAGE

Sonoma County had a mixed and somewhat challenging growing season in 2022. Winter was relatively dry, with limited rainfall only partially replenishing reservoirs and soil moisture. Overall spring and early summer were warm and relatively trouble free. The heat turned up in late August and early September accelerating ripening, bringing a rapid and fast-paced start to harvest. Our inaugural La Crema Cabernet Sauvignon vintage resulted in riper red and blue fruit characteristics.

VINIFICATION COMMENTS

Estate vineyards in the Alexander Valley offer some of the redder, darker, and more dense tannins in the blend. With the composition of other mountain and valley vineyards, blended with Merlot helping to add riper and softer fruit expressions to provide wine length and balance. Blocks, varieties, and clones are kept separate until final blending to allow the greatest range of expression and blending options.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

NOSE: Dried cherries, plums, and black currant.

PALATE: Boysenberry, dark cherry, and hints of coffee are followed by approachable tannins, round, soft, and balanced by a juicy acidity.

ALC. РΗ TΑ R.S. APPELLATION AGING **BOTTLING DATE** 14.5% 3.79 1.50 g/L 5.5 g/L Sonoma County 12% New French Oak, 7% New May 28, 2024 American Oak. Wine is matured in barrel for 15 months

WINEMAKER: LISA VALTENBERGS

