



2022
 CABERNET SAUVIGNON
Rutherford

WINEMAKER- *Kristy Melton*

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The 2022 Rutherford Cabernet is a blend of our 2 single vineyard wines from the region, Bosché and Sycamore. Classic Rutherford dust is immediately evident, with aromas of fine cocoa powder, forest floor and sun-warmed earth. Ripe black cherry, plum, and blueberry form a rich fruit core, accented by notes of graphite, pencil shavings, and toasted cedar. It is full bodied and well-structured with tannins that are supportive and refined. Delicious now with a decant and it will evolve gracefully over the next 10–15 years, gaining depth and complexity.

GROWING SEASON NOTES

Vintage 2022 is called by many of us winemakers the "tale of two harvests." While still under drought conditions, we had a moderate summer with very agreeable temperatures for most of the year. We started picking white grapes on August 13, but then a triple digit heat wave hit in September that lasted well over a week. Harvest went into high gear as we began picking many reds that were suddenly ripe. That was followed by some rainstorms that cooled everything back down and what was left on the vine ripened at a little slower pace to close out our last day of harvest on October 14. The resulting wines are vibrant and fresh with expressive fruit characters and elegant balance.

WINE STATISTICS

COMPOSITION	92% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Cabernet Franc
HARVEST DATES	Harvest started on 8/31 and ended on 9/17/2022 for all components.
BARREL AGING	20 months in French oak, 63% new
ALCOHOL	14.8%
PH	3.56
BOTTLING DATE	July 22, 2024

VINEYARD	Bosché	Sycamore	Sycamore
APPELLATION	Rutherford	Rutherford	Rutherford
ELEVATION	180'	200'	200'
SOIL	Bale Clay Loam	Bale Clay Loam	Bale Clay Loam
VARIETY	Cabernet Sauvignon	Cabernet Sauvignon	Cabernet Franc
% CONTRIBUTION	73%	19%	8%