DUCKHORN
VINEYARDS

2022 HOWELL MOUNTAIN NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Duckhorn Vineyards has sourced grapes from this distinctive region for more than 30 years and has crafted a Howell Mountain bottling since 1989. Recognized as one of the Napa Valley's most acclaimed winegrowing regions, grapes from Howell Mountain are famous for producing age-worthy Cabernet Sauvignons with rich, deep color and excellent structure. To encourage further complexity, we bottle-age this mountain-grown wine one year longer than our other wines prior to release.

VINTAGE NOTES

Winter and spring provided ample rain, which allowed the vines to set a generous crop with excellent canopies. Budbreak arrived a little over a week early, and we enjoyed warm, steady weather throughout spring and summer. We began picking Semillon, Sauvignon Blanc, and some Merlot as early as mid-August, but the first big push began after a Labor Day heat event, when our generous canopies paid dividends, helping shade the grapes. After a busy few weeks, a cool spell allowed the remaining grapes time to mature. To counter the impact of modest mid-September rains, we applied a careful fruit drop, and were equally diligent during sorting. Overall, harvest lasted eleven weeks, delivering wines with excellent concentration, supple tannins, lovely finesse and dynamic acidity.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Grown in the rugged, high-altitude vineyards of Howell Mountain, this Cabernet Sauvignon showcases the bold character and complexity of its origin. Aromas of brambly blackberry and huckleberry jam rise from the glass, interwoven with sweet baking spices, hints of cedar and a touch of wild sage. On the palate, layers of lush mountain fruit unfold, supported by firm, polished tannins that provide both structure and elegance. The finish is long and multifaceted, revealing new depths with every sip – a true reflection of Howell Mountain's power and refinement.

WINEMAKING

APPELLATION	Napa Valley
SUB-APPELLATION	Howell Mountain
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	95% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Franc
OAK PROFILE & AGING	Aged a total of 24 months 18 months in new French oak followed by 6 months in neutral barrels
ALCOHOL	14.5%
pH	3.77
ACIDITY	0.61 g/100 ml



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