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2022 NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON MONITOR LEDGE VINEYARD

Established in 1976 by renowned vintners Margaret and Dan Duckhorn, Duckhorn Vineyards is an iconic Napa Valley winery deeply rooted in a rich legacy of tradition. This Monitor Ledge estate Cabernet Sauvignon, named for an outcropping of rock in the mountains overlooking the vineyard, is a testament to the artistry and dedication that defines each vintage of our storied history.

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

This single vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon exudes an air of refinement. It begins with the warm, inviting aromas of blueberry pie and marionberry jam, alluring and abundant in flavor drawn out by excellent sun exposure and deep well-drained soils. As it unfolds on the palate, layers of deep, dark berry notes are revealed, while subtle hints of tea leaves introduce an intriguing complexity. It concludes with a long, polished finish, echoing the nuanced character that defines this remarkable estate site.

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Monitor Ledge Vineyard VINEYARD

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% estate fruit

> 88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc, 2% Petit Verdot

Aged for 18 months 100% French oak OAK PROFILE & AGING

85% new, 15% neutral

14.5% ALCOHOL

ΡН 3.74

0.60 g/100 ml ACIDITY

