DUCKHORN®

2022 RUTHERFORD NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

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. Renowned for its extraordinary Cabernet Sauvignon, the Rutherford appellation produces some of the world's most coveted grapes and this wine 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 wine is a quintessential Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon, capturing its storied terroir with every sip. It reveals bold aromas of dark chocolate, blackberry, fig and graphite on the nose. As the wine unfolds on the palate, a juicy burst of wild berries is framed by the region's distinctive dusty tannins, brought out by its abundant sun exposure and cool evenings. The finish is long and lingering, unveiling layers of depth and elegant refinement.

WINEMAKING

APPELLATION	Napa	Valley

SUB-APPELLATION Rutherford

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

FERMENTATION & AGING Aged 16 months in 100% French oak

50% new, 50% neutral

ALCOHOL 14.5%

PH 3.77

ACIDITY 0.57 g/100 ml

