

DUCKHORN®

V I N E Y A R D S

2021 RUTHERFORD NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The Rutherford winegrowing region has long been the source for some of the Napa Valley's most storied Cabernets, and for many years, this coveted fruit has played an important role in our Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. Building on our experience with these exceptional grapes, this wine captures the essence of Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon, from its lovely layers of blackberry, cassis and tobacco to the dusty minerality that has come to define the legendary wines from this appellation.

VINTAGE NOTES

Despite an unusually dry winter and warm spring, budbreak was delayed due to light rain in March. The overall lack of rainfall led to light clusters and small berries, which resulted in reduced yields and great concentration. Harvest began on August 5th with Semillon, and early heat generated a fast and furious first few weeks of picking. A much-needed mid-September cool-down allowed for sugars to realign with flavor development. Moderate temperatures continued throughout the rest of the season, providing additional hangtime for the grapes. Our last red grapes were harvested before the rains in late October, resulting in beautiful wines that are dense, pure and polished.

WINEMAKING NOTES

This lush and evocative Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon commands your attention with aromas of blackberry, mulberry, fig jam and dark chocolate-covered blueberries. On the palate it is bold and beautifully rich, with fine, powdery tannins and flavors of black raspberry, cherry, graphite and black tea.

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	3.73
ACIDITY	0.59 g/100 ml



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