



FAUST

NAPA VALLEY — 2022 VINTAGE

A modern classic, unbound by convention

THE VINTAGE

In 2022, the winter was dry and mild for the third season in a row, setting up conditions for an early budbreak and ensuring small canopies, clusters, and berries with the continuing lack of moisture. Temperatures hovered on the warm side of normal through summer, then notched up for an extended stretch in early September. But in our cooler vineyard sites, sugar development was delayed as the concentrated berries built aromatic intensity.

The result is a fruit-forward wine with mouthwatering freshness and an underlying savory complexity.

NAPA VALLEY CABERNET

Faust Cabernet Sauvignon, a blend crafted primarily from our distinctive Coombsville vineyard estate complemented by fruit from other select vineyards, sets the bar each year for bold, elegantly balanced Napa Valley Cabernet. In 2022, warm temperatures leading into harvest revealed the distinct advantage of sourcing from cooler sites, especially our own cornerstone Faust Estate Vineyard, where we were able to lower ambient temperatures and raise humidity levels by deploying the sprinkler system to help mitigate heat events. Consequently, the fruit retained vibrant acidity underlying lovely intensity, creating a wine with pinpoint balance.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Violets and toasted baking spice open on the nose of our 2022 Faust Napa Valley, with savory layers of slate and cedar joining in the background. Concentrated, perfectly ripe black cherry is spiced with the wine's signature star anise and framed by fine, chalky tannins that unfold into richness on the palate. Mouthwatering freshness sustains the dance of fruit and minerality through a lingering finish.

— DAVID JELINEK, WINEMAKER

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, complemented with Merlot, Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc

AGING: 20 months in 100% French Oak, 25% new | ALCOHOL: 14.5%

COOPERS: Seguin Moreau, Taransaud and François Frères