



2020 Cabernet Sauvignon Beckstoffer Vineyard Georges III Rutherford - Napa Valley



THE VINEYARD

Sojourn sources Cabernet Sauvignon Clone 337 grapes from the renowned F-Block within Vineyard Georges III in Rutherford. Soils are primarily sandy loam, with a fair amount of rock from the old creek bed that runs through F-Block. This Beckstoffer Heritage vineyard is the former Beaulieu Vineyard No. 3, which was originally planted by Georges de Latour of Beaulieu in 1928. The property is located adjacent to the Caymus Winery between Conn Creek Road and Silverado Trail.

WINEMAKER NOTES

2020 was a challenging year across the globe as we managed through a pandemic full of unknowns and mandated lockdowns. In the Napa Valley, the grape vines woke up early and demanded their normal attention anyway. Work in the vineyards proceeded with smaller crews that practiced social distancing and wore facial coverings. Summer wild fires impacted many vineyards and hard decisions were made not to pick several vineyard blocks. We kept our focus on producing only the highest quality wine and only picked grapes and made wines that met our standards and that we were proud of. As a result, we bottled only a small quantity of Cabernet Sauvignon that showed exceptional vintage quality. In 2020, we fermented the grapes in a combination of small open top and closed top tanks, adding layers of complexity to the resulting wine. We managed press fractions carefully and the resulting wines impressed us, with expressive fruit aromas and rich texture. This balanced Cabernet Sauvignon is silky smooth and showcases the classic Rutherford Dust.

FERMENTATION & BOTTLING DETAILS

- 100% berry-sorted Cabernet Sauvignon
- Open-top & closed top fermentations
- Native yeast
- 75% new French oak
- Bottled June 2022

FINISHED WINE DETAILS

- Alcohol: 14.7%
- pH: 3.70
- TA: 6.5 g/L
- Release date: Spring 2022
- Retail price: \$155
- 300 cases produced
- AVA: Rutherford

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ABOUT THE WINERY

Based in the town of Sonoma, Sojourn Cellars is a highly acclaimed winery specializing in the production of artisan Pinot noir, Chardonnay, and Cabernet Sauvignon wines.

We source fruit from celebrated vineyards in both Sonoma and Napa Counties, and we help direct farming operations to assure that our grapes are produced using world-class growing techniques. We have consistently produced high-quality wines with a hands-off natural winemaking style that showcases the character and personality of individual vineyards.

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