

# BLUE \* ROCK

## 2020 Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon Blue Rock Vineyard Estate



### Vineyards

Situated at the gorgeous, natural transition of rugged, steep, oak studded hillside to the fertile, lower slopes of Western Alexander Valley, the quarter century old vineyard block on the estate yields mature, balanced Cabernet Sauvignon of magnificence and harmony.

### Vinification

Our 2020 Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is 80% Cabernet Sauvignon thoughtfully blended and accentuated with 10% Cabernet Franc and 10% Merlot. Vinification techniques are intended to merely capture the essence of the vineyard so minimal, gentle and timely inputs best capture this wild landscape and give our wines a true sense of place.

Aged in 100% French Oak barrels with 33% being New Medium and Medium Plus toasted barrels to provide richness, layers of flavors and texture. The remaining 67% are second and third fill French Oak barrels providing preservation and respect of the fruit notes and sweet, subtle tactile nuances. 24 months of oak ageing provides the necessary interaction between wine and oak to round out and soften the mouthfeel while adding generosity and refinement to the palate.

### Winemaker's Tasting Notes

Our Cabernet Sauvignon from the 2020 vintage displays energetic aromas of black cherry, violets, bramble and earth. The palate is rich with fresh picked blackberry and blueberry while savory, spice elements of sage, black tea, tobacco and cocoa round out the finish. Most reflective of our volcanic soil and sloped aspect are the layers of fine grained tannin showing a great interplay of finesse, density and tension. Our Blue Rock Cabernet Sauvignon is vibrant and impressive when enjoyed young, yet will gain polish and charm with up to a decade of ageing.

### Technical Data

80% Cabernet Sauvignon  
10% Cabernet Franc  
10% Merlot  
pH: 3.71  
TA: 6.4 g/L  
RS: 0.1 (bone dry)  
Alc: 14.5%  
Cases Produced: 672  
Bottled: January 2023  
Released: August 2023

