

Cabernet Sauvignon

LABEL: SMALL LOT

AVA: HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

VIN: 2022



WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This medium-bodied Cabernet Sauvignon opens with juicy wild berry fruit and a round, supple texture. Ripe blueberry notes mingle with subtle layers of pencil shavings and graphite, adding depth and a touch of minerality. The finish is smooth and lifted, with lingering hints of tea leaf. A versatile red that pairs beautifully with pho or savory dumplings.

VINEYARD SOURCING

The fruit for this wine is grown at our acclaimed Estate vineyards in the Horse Heaven Hills. The fruit is exposed to dappled sunlight, allowing for uniform ripening and flavor development. Well balanced crop levels have allowed us to create wines with great depth and concentration.

GROWING SEASON

The 2022 vintage started out cool and wet. A mid-April blizzard caused bud break to be behind by two to three weeks. The delayed timeline carried all the way through harvest. Warmer than normal temperatures in September and October and the lack of end of harvest frost allowed for longer hang time and flavor development during the hot, but brief harvest.

WINEMAKING

Harvest Date: October 21-November 3

Primary Fermentation: A combination of stainless steel tanks and open tops.

Malolactic Fermentation: 34% new French oak, 66% neutral oak

Aging: 18 months

Blending Date: July 22, 2024

Bottling Date: August 7, 2024

Drinkability: 2027-2033

TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Horse Heaven Hills

Blend: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Alcohol: 14.3%

T.A: 0.59 g/100 ml

pH: 3.81

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ACCLAIM, VINTAGE 2021:

Wine Enthusiast - 91 pts

ACCLAIM, VINTAGE 2020:

Seattle Wine Awards - Gold

James Suckling - 91 pts

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