Cask 23 Cabernet Sauvignon, (Wooden Box) Stag's Leap Wine Cellars

Napa Valley, United states

Product code	SL0621RC
Grapes	Cabernet Sauvignon
Country	UNITED STATES
ABV%	14.8
Case Size	6
Closure Style	Cork
Producer	Stag's Leap Wine Cellars
Vintage	2021

Vegan Vegetarian

STAG'S LEAP WINE CELLARS

Producer

Stag's Leap Wine Cellars is a Napa Valley estate rooted in the legends of the Stags Leap District and Napa Valley's ascent to global wine recognition. Stag's Leap Wine Cellars was established in 1970 with the purchase of the S.L.V. vineyard. Only six years later, the 1973 S.L.V. Estate Cabernet Sauvignon was awarded the highest honor at the Judgment of Paris blind tasting, besting First Growth Bordeaux Chateaux. This achievement solidified Stag's Leap Wine Cellars and the Napa Valley as places that crafted world-class wines. Today, Stag's Leap Wine Cellars is a quality benchmark for California Cabernet Sauvignon. It offers unrivaled Napa Valley wine experiences where guests enjoy first-rate hospitality and expansive vineyard overlooks that are perfectly paired with some of the most widely-recognized and coveted Napa Valley wines in the world.

Tasting Notes

"The 2020 CASK 23 combines the signature perfume notes of FAY vineyard with the structure and dark fruit of S.L.V. Inviting aromas of chocolate mousse, ripe plum, crushed raspberry, violet and nutmeg fill the nose. "

Viticulture

CASK 23 is a tale of two vineyards that come together in a harmonious blend, but it's also a story of farming special blocks that become the true expression of this iconic wine. In the vineyard, specific blocks have been designated for CASK 23 and are farmed with the highest level of care throughout the growing season.

Winemaking

A dry and hot growing season, coupled with a global pandemic, and multiple wildfires made 2020 a year we won't forget. Rain right at bloom interrupted fruit set and provided

a “natural fruit thinning” that brought the crop in balance relative to the dry soil conditions. The warm weather this vintage produced wines with a riper character. We are very pleased with the resulting wines from the 2020 vintage (although there won’t be as many bottles) to carry our legacy forward.

Awards

"From the historic site where Stag’s Leap first began, this is nearly 100% varietal, with just 1.5% Cabernet Franc. It delivers a lifted, floral character dipped in tangy red fruit."

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