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

Napa Valley, United states

Product code	SL0721RC
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

Established in 1970 with the purchase of the S.L.V. vineyard, Stag's Leap Wine Cellars is a defining estate of the Stags Leap District. Its international reputation was sealed in 1976 when the 1973 S.L.V. Cabernet Sauvignon won the Judgment of Paris, helping to cement Napa Valley's global standing. Today the estate remains a benchmark for site-driven Cabernet Sauvignon.

Tasting Notes

"The 2020 FAY Cabernet Sauvignon delivers complex aromas of blue fruit, licorice, Armarena cherry and floral spice. The palate is loaded with fresh fruit flavors and has a savory and creamy mid-palate"

Viticulture

FAY vineyard remains one the great Napa Valley vineyards, producing fruit with an abundance of supple red and black berry character, voluptuous perfume and a luscious, fine-grained texture. The grapes were primarily sourced from Blocks 4, 3A, 3B, 8C2, 1, 6, 2B and 2A, which combined, give the wine its classic red-fruit tones and aromatic top notes as well as its structure.

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. Blend: 98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Cabernet Franc Aging: 21 months 85% new French oak

Awards

"The 2020 Fay Vineyard features delicate, tea-like leafy notes and florals, plus cherry fruit. It's medium to full-bodied yet silky, fine and elegant, especially given the increase in power over 2018 and 2019 vintages. The long, softly dusty finish epitomizes the elegance this vineyard routinely achieves."

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