



VARIETY:
100% Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARD:
Kurt's Vineyard

APPELLATION:
San Lucas, Monterey

HARVEST DATE:
Nov 20, 2021

ALCOHOL: 14.3%

PH: 3.69

TA: 6.0 g/L

AGING:
100% French oak
33% new, 15 months

BOTTLING DATE: Jun 16, 2023

CASES PRODUCED: 105



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2021 RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON, KURT'S VINEYARD

TASTING NOTES

Due to its cool climate and the ocean influence, Monterey County is best known for its Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays. Yet in the southern part of the county lies the San Lucas appellation, a gorgeous locale with rolling topography, complex soils and weather that is warm enough to ripen all of the red Bordeaux varieties. Killer Cab from Monterey County? Our Kurt's Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon is Exhibit A.

Concentrated and refined, our 2021 Kurt's Cab opens with aromas of blackberry, elderberry, and plum with notes of tarragon, mocha and vanilla. The full-bodied palate delivers rich black fruit flavors and nuanced oak followed by structured, integrated tannins and a lengthy finish.

VINEYARD

Kurt Gollnick, our long-time and recently retired COO of over 30 years, has been farming vineyards since 1981. Kurt's Vineyard, a 10-acre plot in the rolling hillsides of the San Lucas AVA, is the culmination of his many years of knowledge and experience. He chose the site for its potential to grow his favorite variety and the grape best suited to the *terroir*: Cabernet Sauvignon. This high-density planting is farmed by hand, one cluster at a time, and features eight distinct clones of Cabernet. The result is a wine of exceptional character and complexity.

VINTAGE

The 2021 growing season was marked by moderate temperatures, which further extended Monterey County's naturally long hang-time. To start off the season, we were met with a swift and unusually large rainfall in late January. Moving into summer, drought conditions returned and, combined with consistent marine layer coverage, fruit maturity was delayed. As the summer unfolded into early fall, the marine layer moved off the coast, providing a much-welcomed late surge of heat and sunshine. The extended time on the vine allowed the fruit to slowly mature and resulted in refined phenolic development and fantastic fruit quality that shines throughout our 2021 vintage wines.

WINEMAKING

Kurt's Vineyard features eight different clones of Cabernet Sauvignon planted in a high-density pattern to enhance quality and complexity. Each clone was handpicked, destemmed and crushed into small open fermentation bins. The cap was punched down three times per day at the height of fermentation to gently increase extraction of color and phenolic compounds. The juice was racked clean to barrels for secondary malolactic fermentation and aging. After 15 months of barrel aging, each lot was tasted and evaluated for inclusion in the final blend.

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