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CABERNET SAUVIGNON

year of **2022** harvest

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In the wake of the lauded 2021 vintage, the 2022 growing season presented a return to welcome winter rainfall and predominantly temperate growing conditions at Vine Hill Ranch. The abundant rainfall, concluding a five-year drought, provided the vineyard access to ample nutrients, which promoted large canopies and proportional fruit set across the vineyard.

With an early season frost event that gave us lightened crop set in the benchlands, our considerable efforts to maintain necessary balance in the vineyard included thinning canopies and reducing crop loads. The result was a winegrape crop that presented the opportunity to craft a wine of bright fruit character and tremendous site expressivity.

The 2022 Baker & Hamilton Cabernet Sauvignon sports a dense purple hue as well as a Bordeaux-like perfume of darker currants, smoke tobacco, sappy flowers, and forestry, earthy nuances. These carry to a full-bodied Cabernet Sauvignon that has beautiful mid-palate density, a pure, layered, elegant mouthfeel, ultra-fine tannins, and a lengthy finish.

The 2022 harvest began in the early morning of August 30, ending on September 13. Grapes were scrupulously hand sorted and aged in French oak for 9 months, then blended and returned to barrel for an additional 12 months. 519 cases were bottled in May 2024.

LISA PERROTTI-BROWN *The Wine Palate, 93 Points*

“Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon boldly bursts from the glass with up-front scents of crushed black cherries, boysenberry preserves, and blueberry pie, leading to hints of anise, sandalwood, and dusty soil. Full-bodied, the palate is jam-packed with black and blue fruit preserves flavors, supported by plush tannins and just enough freshness, finishing long and spicy.” SEPT. 2025

JEB DUNNUCK *jebdunnuck.com, 93 Points*

“Coming all from the Vine Hill Ranch Vineyard (it’s basically the second wine of the estate), the 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon reveals a deep ruby/plum hue as well as solid varietal notes of darker currants, sappy herbs, cedar pencil, chocolate and underbrush. I love its aromatics, and it hits the palate with medium to full-bodied richness, a concentrated, structured mouthfeel, building tannins, and a good finish. Give bottles 2-3 years to let the tannins integrate and enjoy bottles over the following decade.” JAN. 2025

SOURCE Vine Hill Ranch Vineyard

APPELLATION Oakville, Napa Valley

VARIETAL 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING 21 months / 85% new French oak

ALCOHOL 14.8%

FORMAT 750ml (12-bottle case)

PRODUCTION 519 cases (9L)

BOTTLING May 31, 2024

RELEASE March 1, 2025



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