

FRANK FAMILY VINEYARDS

2022 S&J VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

TASTING NOTES

This wine is a striking expression of Napa Valley mountain fruit. Deep and alluring in the glass, it reveals layers of blackberry, cassis, and ripe black cherry, lifted by delicate notes of violet and graphite. The palate is plush yet structured, unfolding with rich dark fruit, hints of cocoa and espresso, and a whisper of warm spice. Silky tannins and balanced acidity carry the wine to a long, graceful finish, offering both immediate indulgence and the promise of elegance for years to come.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Harvested from our estate vineyard in Napa's secluded Capell Valley, east of the Vaca Mountain range, the 2022 S&J Cabernet Sauvignon captures the power and poise of this rugged terroir. Handpicked in mid-October, the fruit was carefully fermented in small batches before spending 20 months in French oak barrels – half new, half previously used – to achieve harmony between richness and refinement. Crafted from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon, this wine is both a reflection of its distinctive mountain origins and a testament to the artistry of Frank Family Vineyards winemaking.

SOURCING

The S&J Vineyard is made up of 206 acres located east of the Vaca Mountain range in Napa's Capell Valley. Purchased in 2000, the vineyard is planted to 58 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon, along with 9 acres of Petite Sirah and 9 acres of Zinfandel. The soils are fertile, well-drained, and clay loam-based, reminiscent of the Rutherford Bench.

AGING

20 months in 50% new French oak barrels and 50% once-filled French oak barrels.



VARIETAL COMPOSITION:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

HARVEST DATES:

October 13–14, 2022

BOTTLED:

July 24, 2024

ACID:

6.6 g/L

pH:

3.66

ALCOHOL:

14.5%