



TRUCHARD VINEYARDS

2020 CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Vintage: Despite a rollercoaster of weather conditions, 2020 was an exceptionally rewarding year for our vineyards. Normal bud break gave way to a cold dry winter and unsettled spring. Stunning summer sun allowed for the below average yields to become full-bodied and intensely flavorful wines.

Vineyard: The Truchard Estate Vineyard, located in the picturesque Carneros region of Napa Valley, spans 400 sprawling acres filled with hills and valleys. Crafting exquisite wines, Cabernet Sauvignon vines situated on steep southwestern hillsides yield a bold blend of ripened plums and berries with delicate spices - strengthened by its companions; Petit Verdot, Malbec and Cabernet Franc. At ages ranging from two decades to almost a half-century old, this Cabernet Sauvignon is certain to provide both softness & structure.

Harvest: Oct. 1 - 21 • 24.6 °Brix • 3.51 pH • 6.5 g/L TA

Winemaking: All the fruit was gently destemmed and crushed, then inoculated with Pasteur Red yeast. Fermentations were pumped-over twice daily, with the temperature peaking at 88° F. Maceration time varied from 14 to 30 days depending on vineyard block. The wine was aged 20 months in French oak barrels (45% new). The final blend is 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot, and 1% Malbec. This wine is drinkable now but can gracefully age for the next 15 - 20 years.

Wine Analysis: 14.2% alcohol • 3.58 pH • 6.1 g/l TA

Tasting Notes: An elegant nose of raspberry, ripe plum, and cassis, with a touch of cedar and vanilla. The mouth is layered with bright flavors of black cherry, red currants, and berry jam. Ripe tannins focus the palate and provide a lengthy finish of spice and red fruit.

Release Date: January 1, 2023

Cases Produced: 3480 cases

