

2022 Buehler Vineyards Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

Situated in the mountains above Conn Valley and near the base of Howell Mountain, the Buehler Estate vineyards are planted entirely to Cabernet Sauvignon. The juxtaposed topography of steeply sloped hillsides with eastern exposures against very gently sloping hills with southern and southwestern exposures hints at the tumultuous geologic past of the Estate; extensive faulting resulted in at least three distinct soil types. Not surprisingly, grapes grown on the different soils give different characteristics to the finished wines; these differences are often as great as the differences across various Bordeaux varieties and allow us to blend within the variety of Cabernet Sauvignon to craft a truly multi-faceted Estate wine.

The culmination of the 2022 Cabernet growing season gave us two very distinct harvests: the first for our Estate Cabernet blocks and the other for our Napa Valley blocks some fifteen miles to the south. The two days of unseasonal heat around September 5 initiated a flurry of activity in the vineyard to pick our Estate grapes within a couple days while our Napa Valley Cabernet grapes enjoyed another two weeks on the vine allowing for a long and leisurely harvest. Predictably, the Estate bottling is a deeper, darker rendition compared to the brighter, vibrant Napa Valley bottling.

After the completion of the primary fermentation, the wine was immediately delivered to barrels to initiate the secondary malolactic fermentation. The wine was aged 18 months in barrels: 35% of which were new French oak, and 5% of which were new American oak barrels.

The aromas hint at black fruit: ripe black cherries and black plums. Enticing barrel qualities of cola and spice complement the fruit aromas. On the palate, the wine shows layers of deeply extracted flavors that only mature hillside vineyards can render. Our Estate Cabernet is the most age-worthy wine we produce and may be enjoyed anytime over the next 15 years. For those who seek youthful fresh cabernet fruit aromas and a more structured wine, drink it from 2025 through 2028. If you prefer the less fruity, more developed bottle bouquet aromas and a softer, more velvety wine on the palate, drink it from 2029-2039.

David Cronin  
Winemaker

Appellation/Designation	Napa Valley/Estate Bottled
Varietal Composition	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Brix at Harvest	25.8
TA	0.60 g/100 ml
pH	3.78
Alcohol	14.9% vol
Production	2800 cases
Suggested Retail	\$50

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# Our 90+ Napa Valley 2022 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon



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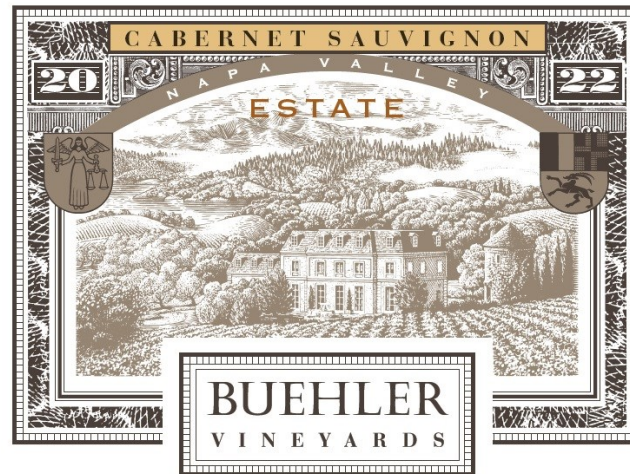
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