

2020 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Rutherford, Napa Valley

Release Date	September 1, 2023
Harvest Dates	September 18 th – September 26 th
Barrel Aging	27 Months
Oak	100% French, 49% new, 51% used
Blend	93% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Cabernet Franc
Alcohol	14.9%

Winemaker Tasting Notes



The 2020 growing season commenced with a dry, mild winter resulting in early budbreak. March rain re-invigorated the vines and provided the potential for a small crop of excellent quality. As we welcomed summer, cool nights and foggy mornings compensated for the hot and sundrenched afternoons. Due to the season's early start the Bordeaux varietals reached maturity in mid-September. We worked around the clock to pick and meticulously sort this fruit over the course of 8 days finishing on September 26th, fortunate to have everything in just one day before the start of the Glass Fire. True to our goals, we forged through the challenging conditions of 2020 to produce beautiful and sound site driven wines showcasing our special vineyard.

Bursting with energy, the 2020 Staglin Cabernet recalls the timeless wines which put Napa on the map. Intense aromatics of bright ruby plum, powdered violets, and crushed rosemary only hint at the depth and complexity of this wine on the palate. Even at this youthful stage, this wine blends a medley of nutmeg & clove dusted rhubarb pie, polished tannins, and resinous forest floor with seamlessly integrated oak. A dense, red core of cheerful, focused acidity foretells a long life ahead. Concluding with the elegance and finesse expected of our estate, layers of herbs reveal themselves as the wine enthusiastically invites another taste.