

LIBERTY SCHOOL

RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON V.21



Liberty School Reserve is the mark of our most exemplary Cabernet Sauvignon. Crafted from preferred vineyard blocks and aged to perfection in the finest oak barrels, this special release offers depth, complexity and length. The legend of Paso Cabernet begins with Liberty School.

WINEGROWING

The Liberty School 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve comes from two distinct Paso Robles AVAs. The Estrella District is notable for its loamy, gravelly riverplain slopes and canyons, while the San Juan Creek District is situated on ancient riverplains composed of loam, gravel and calcareous deposits. Together, these districts provide warm growing conditions and well-drained soils that draw out depth and structure in our Cabernet Sauvignon fruit.

VINTAGE

The 2021 growing season was steady through spring with warm days and cool nights. The summer was marked by a few unexpected heat waves, but marine breezes and mild weather prevailed into the harvest season. Patience was required as we entered an extended ripening period, and we were rewarded with mature flavors and beautifully balanced fruit.

WINEMAKING

The Liberty School Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve fruit was harvested and fermented as individual vineyard lots, then transferred to a combination of 10-percent new French and American oak barrels for an initial aging period of 13 months. The finest barrels of the vintage were then selected and blended for Liberty School Reserve treatment, including three months of additional aging in 75-percent new French oak to enhance the wine's complexity and mouthfeel.

TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon elevates the legacy of Liberty School, displaying a rich garnet color that foreshadows the experience to come. On the nose, vanilla bean, bright plum and fresh leather nuances set the stage for a robust palate. Dried cherry, blackberry and currant flavors are balanced by notes of peppercorn, leather and toasted oak. Firm yet supple tannins add length to a silky finish.

VARIETAL(S): CABERNET SAUVIGNON

AVA: PASO ROBLES

HARVEST DATES: 10/20 THROUGH 10/30