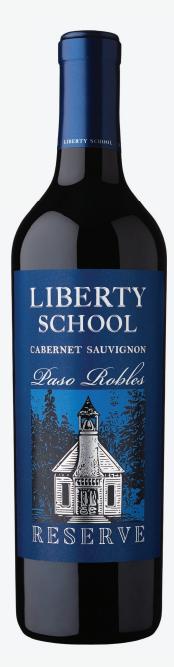
# LIBERTY SCHOOL





V. 2020

# **CABERNET SAUVIGNON RESERVE**

Since 1975, three generations of family winemakers have been living the American dream of working hard to produce an honest and enjoyable product, Liberty School Wine. In order to honor this tradition, we chose our best vineyard sites, finest barrels, and extended the aging process to create a wine with smooth and supple tannins while maintaining rich texture and flavor. In celebration of Liberty School's 45th year in production, we present Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon, the next great California wine.

### VINEYARD NOTES

We source from vineyards throughout the Paso robles AVA for Liberty School. Specifically, vineyards from districts: Geneseo, Estrella, El Pomar and Paso Robles Highlands. Each of these districts are quite diverse in soils but all contain calcareous rocks and soils for which the AVA is known. Seasonal warm days and cool nights contribute to this Cabernet's color and structure while deliberate, sustainable farming assist in delivering consistent and high-quality grapes.

### HARVEST NOTES

The 2020 early growing season was near normal. Rainfall occurred mainly in early winter and early spring and seasonal totals were just below average. Vine growth and berry development was typical through spring. Summer brought unusual heatwaves which slowed berry development, keeping them small with a desirable skin to juice ratio. October was warm and dry, aiding in fruit maturity. Harvest was condensed as most Paso Robles Cabernet ripened at the same time with ideal color and flavors.

## WINEMAKING NOTES

Our Cabernet Sauvignon is harvested and fermented individually by vineyard lots and then barreled into a combination of French and American oak barrels, 10% of which are new. The wine is racked twice during barrel-aging, blended in winter of 2021 and aged for an additional 3 months in 75% new French Oak. Just prior to bottling in Spring of 2022, the wine was gently filtered.

#### TASTING NOTES

We believe our Liberty School Reserve elevates the standard of Paso Robles Cabernet. This beautiful wine has a rich garnet color that fills your glass. On the nose, fresh vanilla bean, black currants and dark fruit aromas set the stage for the robust flavors on the pallet. Ripe cherry and black berry notes are balanced by herbaceous notes, white pepper, and hints of earth. On the finish, the tannins are smooth, supple, and round out this medium bodied Cabernet.

#### VARIETAL(S):

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

AVA:

PASO ROBLES

HARVEST DATES:

10/19 - 10/26/2020

OAK PROGRAM:

10% NEW FRENCH AND AMERICAN OAK FOR 15 MONTHS,

75% NEW FRENCH OAK FOR 3 MONTHS

ALCOHOL:

14.50%

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