

2020 CABERNET SAUVIGNON - MT. VEEDER, NAPA VALLEY

High on the slopes of Mount Veeder, Mayacamas Vineyards has been a source of legendary California wine since 1889. Since the 1950's the vinification and élevage of Mayacamas remains remarkably consistent and our continued commitment to employ classical techniques and tools is integral to the character of these wines. The mountain terroir at Mayacamas ranges from 1,800 to 2,400 feet in elevation and the estate spans 475 acres, only 50 of which are dedicated to vine. The region's richly intense, age-worthy wines reflect the independent spirit of its mountain growers and vintners, borne of rugged conditions that demand craftsmanship at the bigbest level.

TASTING NOTES

The 2020 is dense, dark, and brooding. An inviting richness comprised of black fruits: mountain berry, plum, and cherry. The intensity of the fruit profile is threaded by clove, leather, and dried herbs. A luxurious profile, savory tannin core with a persistent finish accented by cacao and menthol.

VINTAGE, VINEYARDS & TERROIR

The 2020 Cabernet Sauvignon is comprised of grapes from eleven estate vineyard sites and one grower site – each harvested by hand between September 5 and September 16. At the winery the clusters were rinsed, sorted by hand and de-stemmed. Fermentation occurs at lower temperatures in a mix of concrete tanks (60%), stainless steel tanks (38%) and oak puncheon (2%) – with an average maceration time of 16 days. The wine was aged in neutral Foudre and 500L puncheon (20 months) and 225L neutral French barrel (12 months). The final blend is comprised of 100% Cabernet Sauvignon.

Mount Veeder is a one-of-a-kind appellation with a cooler mountain climate and the lowest yields in Napa Valley. Soils range from poor volcanic deposits to ancient seabed; the grapes produced here retain high acidity and a clean, mineral character. APPELLATION: Mt. Veeder VARIETAL: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon ALCOHOL: 14%

