

2022 Sonoma County
Mayacamas Mountain Range
Cabernet Sauvignon

Our 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon is the fourth release in our Cabernet-producing era at Donelan Family Wines. We're thrilled with the progress and craft embodied by this vintage, which is 90.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9.5% Cabernet Franc, and a marriage of fruit from our own Obsidian Estate and two gorgeous sites in the Mayacamas Mountain Range. Cabernet is fairly new to our portfolio. After the Tubbs Fire damaged our Obsidian Estate vineyard, we replanted, increasing vine density and planting varieties beyond our signature Syrah. This was when we put a Donelan flag down in the Cabernet world.

With the 2022 vintage, we had more experience under our belts with Obsidian Estate Cabernet and our partner vineyard fruits, making for an even better wine. This is a mountain Cabernet, made from vineyards up and down the Mayacamas Mountain Range. Cabernet fruit can be brawny, rich, and decadent. That's where the addition of Cabernet Franc comes in to tame the big mountain structure of the wine and give it a lift of dried aromatic herbs, white flowers, and sage. This is a classically styled Cab with great freshness, beautifully saturated palate, and fine-grained tannin.

Sweet dried herbs like sage and chaparral are framed by lovely blue and black fruit. Lifted in aromatics but not lacking any weight. Granite, pencil shavings, cocoa powder, and medium fine-grained tannin structure. A long 30+ second finish. If you're enjoying this Cabernet soon, double-decant it or drink it over several nights. Otherwise, this wine will age well over the next 15 years.

Cellar Notes:

Percentage New Oak

60%

Barrel Aging

20 months

Bottling Date

June 2024

Composition

90.5% Cabernet Sauvignon

9.5% Cabernet Franc

Alcohol

14.2%

Production

192 cases

