

Duckhorn Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

COUNTRY	REGION	GRAPE	VINTAGE
United States	California	91% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Franc	2020

ABOUT THE DOMAINE

Co-founded by Dan and Margaret Duckhorn in 1976, Duckhorn Vineyards has indisputably established itself as one of the finest and most respected wine producers of the United-States. From its modest inaugural vintage of 800 cases of Cabernet Sauvignon and 800 cases of Merlot in 1978 to its addition of Sauvignon Blanc in 1982, Duckhorn Vineyards has crafted a tradition of quality and excellence that continues today under Head Winemaker Renée Ary.

WINEMAKING

In terms of overall weather, most of the 2020 growing season was excellent. Following a relatively dry winter, budbreak started early, and the temperatures throughout spring and summer were mild and temperate. This allowed the grapes to ripen slowly, developing pure, vibrant flavours and supple, fleshy textures. In late September, harvest was impacted by the outbreak of wildfires and the arrival of hot weather. While there was a meticulous selection process, these impacts resulted in a smaller 2020 crop. The wines produced display beautiful aromas, soft elegant textures, lively complexity and lush flavours. Aged 16 months in 100% French oak. 50% new and 50% neutral.

TASTING NOTES

Crafted from both mountain and valley floor grapes, this beautifully rich and complex wine offers alluring aromas of huckleberry, cardamom, graham cracker, dark chocolate and violets. On the palate, juicy flavours of ripe boysenberry and black tea glide across finely textured tannins, with bright, balanced acidity contributing to a long, elegant finish.



TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol by volume
14.5%

Acidity
0.56 g/100 ml

pH
3.76