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OAKVILLE
CABERNET SAUVIGNON
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VINEYARD Our TOR *Oakville* Cabernet Sauvignon hails from two incredible vineyards that we are blessed to work with in the Oakville appellation - Double H Ranch Vineyard, and Rentaria 360 Vineyard. Double H Ranch Vineyard is a jewel on the western slopes of the Vaca Range. The iron rich site gives our 2022 Oakville its signature dark fruit and perfumed characteristics. Rentaria 360 Vineyard is in the northeastern part of Oakville and has a long history of producing excellent wines.

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WINEMAKING This is a barrel selection from two vineyards – Double H Ranch, and Rentaria 360. As for all of our Cabernet Sauvignons, the individual lots were fermented on skins between two and three weeks in small tanks, matured for twenty months in new Taransaud and Darnajou barrels, then bottled without fining and filtration.

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WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES Our *Oakville* Cabernet is a perfect example of why Oakville is the premiere appellation for Cabernet in the Napa Valley. This wine checks all the Cabernet boxes, with plentiful fruit, a touch of forest floor, and a hint of graphite. The fruit is a balance of red, black and blue, with blackberry, black cherry, blueberry compote and an iron/sanguine minerality. Baking spices of cinnamon, clove, and nutmeg add an extra dusting of complexity. A great expression of this renowned appellation.

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VINTAGE Winemaker Jeff Ames and Tor Kenward have collectively witnessed over 70 harvests, and cannot compare 2022 to any of them. Some winemakers said it was four vintages in one, with the wild swings in temperature, small crop, and small picking windows made it one we call “a winemaker’s year”. Those who nailed the right picking windows made exceptional wines. In particular, our 8 blocks in Beckstoffer To Kalon have never looked better. A winemaker’s and wine grower’s year. Experience made all the difference.

