

Brassfield Estate 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon Reserve

Brassfield Estate wines reflect the distinctness and diversity of our vineyards – from the elevated valley floor of High Serenity Ranch to the lofty and secluded Volcano Ridge. With cool marine breezes, volcanic soils and high elevations ranging from 1800 ft. to 3000 ft, High Valley's unique transverse geography makes this AVA an unparalleled North Coast wine growing region. The eastern and southern regions of High Valley boast views of the largest natural lake in California, Clearlake. Additionally, Lake County claims the title of the best air quality in the state. Brassfield Estate wines are fruit-driven, balanced and delicious.



ALCOHOL: 14.9 % | **pH:** 3.60 | **COMPOSITION:** 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Merlot, 4% Malbec

VINEYARD:

Reserve wines are our “crème de la crème,” and are sourced from the blocks and sub-blocks throughout the estate known to produce the highest quality fruit. Each vineyard site adds a unique character to the wine, having at least one very special block within it that has that intricate blend of microclimate and terroir capable of producing a wine that is an expression of the land and painstaking effort that fashioned it. Indulge in a glass of our Reserve wine, and you'll taste the unity of our land, a harmonious blend that resonates with the beauty and uniqueness of High Valley.

WINEMAKING:

At Brassfield Estate, our winemaking emphasizes quality and the use of traditional hand-crafted techniques, creating wines that have power and finesse. We harvested the grapes for this wine from several vineyard blocks throughout the estate that are known to produce the highest quality Cabernet Sauvignon. The fruit was then carefully sorted and gently transferred into a combination of open top fermenters and stainless-steel tanks. After sending wines to 65% new French Oak and 35% neutral French barrels, we allowed our wines to undergo malolactic fermentation in our extensive wine caves. This wine was stirred monthly on its lees to achieve body and texture and aged for 18 months in barrels before bottling.

TASTING NOTES:

The Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon unveils a bold and captivating profile, exuding a rich tapestry of flavors and textures that define its exceptional character. Aromas of ripe black cherry dominate the bouquet. Peppercorn spice adds a hint of complexity, intertwining with nuances of caramel toasted oak to create a multi-dimensional aromatic experience. Upon the first sip, this wine reveals its full-bodied nature with confidence. Layers of flavor unfold on the palate, where cinnamon and tobacco notes mingle harmoniously with the abundant fruit. The influence of caramel toasted oak is pronounced yet well-integrated, contributing depth and a luxurious mouthfeel. Firm tannins provide structure and texture, lending a grippy sensation that underscores the wine's intensity and age-worthiness.