

# ALEA FINA

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY 2021

ALEA FINA is a collaboration between winemaker Sebastian Donoso and international world-renowned consultant Paul Hobbs, celebrating the transcendent alchemy of precision, patience, and nature's ineffable beauty. Meticulous Napa Valley site selection, fastidious farming, and relentless attention to detail throughout the winemaking process create a world-class Cabernet Sauvignon that reflects the awe-inspiring wonder of the natural world.

The wine's philosophy and name are inspired by *alea*, the Latin word for chance, and the Spanish expression *hilar fino*, which means to obsess over the finer details, thoughtfully considering every thread of the fiber. 'ALEA FINA' seeks to capture the ephemeral, honoring the thrilling unpredictability of the universe through patient diligence and passionate commitment.

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100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON BOTTLED IN FEBRUARY 2023 ALCOHOL: 15.2% PH: 3.55 TOTAL ACIDITY: 6.1 G/L

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### VINEYARDS

- Lawrence Vineyard, St. Helena (39%)
- Diamond Mountain Vineyard, Diamond Mountain District (30%)
- Pillar Vineyard, Napa Valley (14%)
- Deux Chevaux Vineyard, Yountville AVA (15%)
- Weppeler Vineyard, Calistoga AVA (4%)

### 2021 GROWING SEASON

Severe drought conditions in the winter months stressed the vines during growth stages, which resulted in smaller crop yields with exceptionally high quality. The summer's consistent temperature range enabled steady maturation and an unusually early and small harvest. This confluence of events produced wines with tremendous color density, rich aromas, and profound complexity on the palate.

### WINEMAKERS

Sebastian Donoso  
Paul Hobbs, Consulting Winemaker

### WINEMAKING

Beginning in mid-September, all grapes were hand-harvested at optimal ripeness (25.5° Brix, on average) to capture the essence of their unique origins. Clusters were destemmed, then crushed and cold-soaked for five days to extract the grapes' vivid flavor and color prior to fermentation in stainless steel at 85°F. A precise, seven-day post-fermentation maceration with heat softened the tannins and developed the wine's generous mid-palate, before gentle pressing in a traditional basket press.

### OAK AGING

100% French oak barrels, 46% new, with medium and medium+ toast levels, for 16 months.

### AGING POTENTIAL

Drink now or cellar for 15 or more years.

### TASTING NOTES

This brilliant garnet-hued wine reveals profoundly concentrated aromas of blackcurrant and blackberry, with hints of anise layered over notes of leather, graphite, and pencil shavings. Medium-bodied with gracefully refined tannins, this exquisite Cabernet Sauvignon culminates in an exceptionally long finish.

