

HILL FAMILY

## 2022 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

Production: 1,412 cases
Composition: 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot, 4% Malbec and 2% Petit Verdot
Vineyards: Baker, Bianchini, Beau Terre, Spiteri, Hansen, Davis, Dillon and Windy Flats
Cooperage: 19 months in 40% new French oak as follows: (Remond Ailliers, Icone Elegance, Darnajou, Nadalier Noisette and Tonnellerie O
Alcohol: 14.8%, TA 5.8, pH 3.76
Bottling date: May 29, 2024
Release date: Fall 2024
Release price: \$70.00

The 2022 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is carefully blended to give power and balance. We appreciate the opportunity to use high elevations (Baker Vineyard in Atlas Peak is at 1,200 ft.) with their intense tannins and color, then blend and civilize them with vineyards from the valley floor and cooler areas. 2022 had many hot spells and it worked well to have so many options in a fast-ripening dry year, and it was great to have the Merlot and Malbec to blend in and help soften the wine. The composure and grace this wine offers is due to the talent, hard work, and persistence Doug Hill exhibits, managing his vineyards in a difficult year.

## Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes:

The 2022 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon offers intense notes of dark fruits such as blackberry, cassis, and black cherry. Subtle hints of vanilla and mocha add depth, and the smooth texture on the palate leaves a lasting impression. The wine reveals layers of complexity with velvety tannins and flavors of cassis, plum, and chocolate, and the finish is long and elegant.