



HILL FAMILY
E S T A T E

2022 Malbec

Production: 401 cases

Composition: 93% Malbec, 6% Cabernet Sauvignon and 1% Merlot

Vineyards: Baker, Windy Flats and Beau Terroir

Appellation: Napa Valley

Elevation: Valley floor - 1500 ft

Cooperage: 18 months in 50% new oak. 35% French oak (Nadalier) and 15% Hungarian oak (Trust)

Alcohol: 15.5%, TA 6.6, pH 3.68

Bottling date: April 4, 2024

Release date: February 2025

Release price: \$68.00

Malbec has become a quiet cult favorite, and we have made some wonderful standalone Malbecs that normally go into our Cabernet Sauvignon, but we wanted to let our club members share some of the excitement. We made 3 Malbec lots in 2022, and we found that the structure of the Baker Vineyard from Atlas Peak blended beautifully with the ripe concentration of the Windy Flats, and the vigor of the Beau Terroir. Malbec has become increasingly successful in some parts of the world, and it is a cult favorite here in Napa. We only made a small quantity for our adventurous club buyers.

Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes:

The 2022 Malbec is deep, rich, and alluring, with expressive notes of blueberry, black plum, and crème de cassis. Plush and inviting on the palate, with blackberry, dark raspberry, and delicate floral notes, supported by warming notes of graham cracker and licorice. This multilayered wine interweaves fine-grained tannins and a velvety texture perfectly.