

# ALIAS

## **CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020** **CALIFORNIA AVA**

### **RESIST INDUSTRIAL WINES**

After years spent toiling away in the bowels of the wine industrial complex, we escaped in 2007 with our love of wine still intact. We got to see 'how the sausage was made' at the giant corporations - in the cellars, in the streets, and in the boardrooms. Our goal has been to make honest wines that offer great value without the industrial trickery needed to make millions of cases. Wine crafted from grape to glass, true to varietal character and expressive of California's bold style. A cure for industrial wines...and just in case the corporate powers came after us we took on an ALIAS.

### **TASTING NOTES**

The 2020 Alias California Cabernet Sauvignon is a testament to our sourcing philosophy. By working with vineyards throughout our large state, we were able to avoid the effects of wildfires that devastated certain regions. The dry winter and spring resulted in lower yields, so much of the harvest ended earlier as well, shielding us from smoke taint. So, while many will remember 2020 as a year of intense challenges, we were blessed with a high-quality vintage.

In the nose, there is dark red and black berries with a hint of baking spice and vanilla. The wine is inviting with ripe blackberries, currants, and blueberries spreading across the palate. Our dedication to leaf management in our vineyards produces grapes with lower pyrazines, as to steer away from greener notes in our Cabernet Sauvignon. Tannins are soft and balanced with acid and subtle pepper notes. A background of vanilla biscotti and tobacco leaf combine with cocoa and strawberry preserves. We maintain a new oak regiment using staves for only 50% of the wine so as not to overpower the fruit. Most importantly, it finishes smooth and silky, leaving you wanting another glass. It's basically the liquid form of any Marvin Gaye album from the 1970's - definitely a party, but decidedly smooth and sexy.

### **TECHNICAL DETAILS**

<b>COMPOSITION:</b>	<b>93% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot</b>
<b>ALC/VOL:</b>	<b>13.7%</b>
<b>APPELLATION:</b>	<b>California</b>



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