



THE NAPA VALLEY WINE ESTATE
ESTABLISHED 1885



Appellation
Napa Valley

Harvest Dates
September 13 –
October 18, 2022

Varietals
92.3% Cabernet Sauvignon
6% Malbec
2% Cabernet Franc
1.7% Petit Sirah
1% Petite Verdot

Skin Contact
15 days, average

Aging
17 emonths in French oak
(65% new, 35% once-used)

Release Date
Fall 2024

Director of Winemaking
Andrew Delos

Winemaker
Nicole Marchesi

2022 FAR NIENTE

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD NOTES

The wine combines select vineyards in Rutherford, Calistoga and St. Helena that complement our home in Oakville and embody our long-established house style. Cabernet has been a hallmark of Far Niente's winemaking program beginning with its very first vintage in 1982. The marriage of these diverse vineyard sites has allowed us to craft our finest expression of Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. This wine exemplifies our nearly four decades of mastery in growing and making Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon.

HARVEST NOTES

The beginning of the 2022 growing season was exceptionally mild, with budbreak kicking off in March. By May, the vines began to demonstrate strong shoot growth and average crop yields ahead of veraison in mid-July. While we welcomed a few intense heat spikes during the summer months, the warm days and cool nights in August were perfect for ripening. When faced with a 5-day long intense heat event in early September, our proactive approach to canopy management ensured that our grapes were protected. Nevertheless, Cabernet harvest in our earliest Calistoga and St. Helena sites kicked in to action. However, the triple digit heat was quickly followed by rain; patience and hang time in our Oakville and Oak Knoll vineyards was necessary to achieve our desired ripeness. While this harvest presented quite a challenge, the resulting wines are fruit forward and aromatic with generous texture and juicy tannins.

TASTING NOTES

The 2022 Far Niente Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon opens with an elegant perfume of mixed berries, baking spice, dried lavender and thyme open onto a full palate layered with expansive mixed berry, black tea, toasted oak and spice flavors. Focused and fresh, fine-grained tannins support the wine throughout, while the finish is silky, long and lifted.