



CROWN POINT

Estate Selection 2022

100% ESTATE GROWN & BOTTLED

65% Cabernet Sauvignon
30% Cabernet Franc | 5% Petit Verdot

Harvest date:
September 2 –
October 3, 2022

The 2022 growing season began with a mild winter, bringing 10 inches of rain. Spring and summer temperatures adhered to historical, coastal-influenced norms, setting the stage for a promising harvest. A twist occurred as Labor Day approached, as the forecast signaled an imminent heatwave. After enduring seven days above 100°, relief abounded as the vineyard demonstrated remarkable resilience, affirming the site's pedigree.

The 2022 Estate Selection is a vibrant and aromatic offering with enticing aromas of ripe strawberries and rich espresso. The wine unfolds with remarkable energy on the palate, revealing savory black olive nuances. A subtle mineral texture enhances its elegance, showcasing a harmonious balance and delicate power.

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A more Medoc-like blend based on 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 30% Cabernet Franc, and 5% Petit Verdot, the 2022 Estate Selection comes from a gravelly bench portion of their estate vineyard and was aged in 50% new French oak and 50% once-used barrels. Deep purple/plum-hued and opaque, it shows sensational aromatics of crème de cassis, flowers, violets, spicy wood, and lead pencil. I absolutely love its overall purity and vibrancy, and it's medium to full-bodied, with a seamless, layered, pure mouthfeel, ultra-fine tannins, and flawless balance. It's a straight-up sensational Bordeaux blend from this estate that shows what's possible with these varieties in Santa Barbara County. Drink bottles over the coming two decades or more. Drink 2025-2045. Jeb Dunnuck

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The 2022 Estate Selection is a classically built wine with great elegance and freshness, all in a deceptively soft-stepping package. Ultra-fine tannins lend structure to the rich, dark-fruited base layer, while underbrush, iodine, black fruit and savory herbs add further complexity. Excellent precision and clarity run through the gently floral finish. This could use a little time to unfurl, but it's beautiful today. Billy Norris

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