



## 2021 DECOY LIMITED ALEXANDER VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Established in 1985 by legendary vintners Dan and Margaret Duckhorn, our roots run deep at Decoy. Building on our rich winemaking heritage, we invite you to experience Decoy Limited.

Crafted using grapes from some of the most acclaimed Alexander Valley vineyards, including our own estate properties, this is the ultimate expression of Decoy Cabernet Sauvignon, displaying robust layers of blackberry, plum, dark chocolate and violets, with French oak-inspired hints of vanilla and spice.

## VINTAGE NOTES

The season began with a warm winter with less than 50% of our average rainfall, leading us to take early drought precautions, including suckering, careful cover crop management, targeted irrigation and pruning for crop load. Budbreak occurred mid-March to early-April with bloom in mid-May. Summer temperatures fluctuated from 85° F to 105° F, which ensured excellent ripening, and we began harvesting Sauvignon Blanc in mid-August, with Chardonnay and Merlot following soon after. The remaining Bordeaux varietals were all picked by October 15th. The quality of our white grapes was superb, with ideal acid profiles and lush tropical flavors at lower-thannormal berry sugar levels. Red grapes were also surprisingly concentrated at lower sugar levels, while still displaying wonderful depth, complexity and juicy flavors.

## WINEMAKING NOTES

Embodying the luxurious beauty of great Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, this alluring wine draws you in with complex aromas of black cherry, ripe plum, blackberry, and sweet baking spices. On the palate, the tannins are supple and round, framing juicy layers of dark berries and chocolate, with sophisticated hints of white pepper and toasty oak emerging throughout the long, resonant finish.

## WINEMAKING

**APPELLATION** Alexander Valley

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Merlot

OAK PROFILE & AGING Aged in French oak barrels for 14 months

40% new, 60% neutral

ALCOHOL 14.1%

> РΗ 3.62

0.58 g/100 ml ACIDITY

