

2023 Lonehawk Cabernet Sauvignon Santa Cruz Mountains

HARVESTED: October 16th, 2023 VINEYARD: Santa Cruz Mountains

SOILS: loamy clay

BOTTLED: February 2025, 25 cases

COMPOSITION: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

ALCOHOL: 13.8%

WINEMAKER: Andrew Vingiello

VINEYARD MANAGER: Thayer Dunwoody

VINTAGE NOTES

In 2023 the Santa Cruz Mountains experienced one of the longest growing seasons in decades. Late season rains and cold temperatures in early spring kept vines dormant. Bud break saw much milder temperatures ideal for set and maturity. Continued mild, consistent weather and only a few periods of moderate heat contributed to crop yields that were above average and hang time was extended. Harvest kicked off later in September and continued at a relentless pace through October. The 2023 vintage is high quality, exceptional, and notable. Another vintage of great magnitude delivering wines with exceptional vineyard purity.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Grape clusters were hand picked, destemmed, sorted, and fermented as one lot. The grapes were left on skins for 22 days, punched down manually twice a day, and gently pressed to French Oak. Raised up in barrel over the course of 19 months with regular topping and careful SO2 management for optimal expression of this single vineyard's terroir. Bottled unfined, unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

The single vineyard, single barrel Lonehawk 2023 offers a rich bouquet of ripe blackberries, cassis, and a touch of vanilla oak. Full-bodied with smooth tannins, it delivers layers of dark fruit, mocha, and subtle spice, leading to a long, balanced finish. A refined, elegant expression of Cabernet.

CELLARING

Enjoy over the next 7-10 years.