



2020 Murray Cabernet Sauvignon Red Mountain AVA

Cabernet Sauvignon 80%, Cabernet Franc 8%, Malbec 4%, Petit Verdot 4%, Merlot 4%
"Out of Line" Vineyard 68%, E&E Shaw Vineyard 32%

Oak Program

- Neutral 62%, New 38%
- French 40%, European 40%, American 20%
- Aged in small (59 gallon) oak barrels for 18 months

Harvest Dates

- All grapes harvested between Sept. 19, 2020 and Oct. 23, 2020

Growing Season

Harvest 2020 started out normally, but smoke paused ripening and delayed harvest for some grapes. Bud break began in mid-April, well aligned with historical averages. Late July and early August saw some heat spikes, but, overall, summer temperatures were moderate and even. The start of harvest of whites aligned well with many recent years. However, significant wildfire smoke came in during the second week of September, pausing harvest for nearly 10 days. The layer of smoke blocked the sun, stalled sugar accumulation, and pushed harvest for some varieties back.

Production Methods

Handpicked, crushed, and destemmed directly into square open top fermenters. We do not use a must pump; this helps tame the tannins. The ferments are hand punched down. We press directly into barrel where the wine ages sur lie until it completes malolactic fermentation.

We bottled 608 cases