



## **Southern Hills Cabernet Sauvignon**

Country: United States Region: Livermore Valley, CA

Type: Red Varietal: Cabernet Sauvignon

Format: 12 x 750ml

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## **TASTING NOTES**

Colour: Crimson with purple highlights.

Aroma: Aromatics of dark fruit such as dark cherry, plum and blackberry. The aging

of oak barrels imparts the touch of vanilla and cedar to round out this

medium-bodied Cabernet Sauvignon.

Taste: luicy dark red fruit flavours of plum and black cherry. The finish is smooth

and supple with hints of chocolate and spice. Rich, mouth-filling tannins and

a full-bodied mouthfeel, this wine provides a long, smooth finish.

Food: Pair this with a classic barbequed sirloin, a rack of mesquite ribs or a grilled

veggie burger.

## **AWARDS & ACCOLADES**

 $2021 \sim 92$  Points. "Luscious flow of cherry-espresso, licorice, and soy sauce. Ripe and creamy, with round, supple tannins." - The Tasting Panel, Mar/2024

 $2021 \sim 90$  Points. "Notes of rich black currants, blackberries, paprika and tapenade follow through to a juicy, medium-bodied palate with plenty of cassis and a hint of spice and tobacco... it is well-balanced and pleasant. Sustainable. Drink now." - James Suckling, Feb/2024

 $2021 \sim$  "Polished nose of blackcurrant and cassis, palate of grippy tannins, sweet fruit and sleek oak." - Decanter World Wine Awards 2024

 $2021 \sim$  "...Southern Hills Cab Sauv... pours a deep purple garnet and wafts aromas of ripe dark fruit and spice. Plush and friendly, it's a cheery crowd-pleasing red." - The Province, Feb/2025

 $2021 \sim$  "The Southern Hills Cabernet is grown along the southern hills of the Central Coast, where the Wente family farms approximately 400 acres of cab vines that originated from Bordeaux cuttings, and planted by California wine pioneer Charles Wetmore in the 19th century. Look for an aromatic cedar, cassis nose, with supple red fruit jam and spice. A button down cooler version of cabernet sauvignon that will have its audience with food and wine lovers. Beef tacos, burgers, or grilled sausages are in play here." - Gismondi on Wine, Jan/2025

## **OTHER INFO**

This Livermore Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is developed from vines that California wine pioneer Charles Wetmore brought from France in the 19th century. The Wente family farms approximately 400 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon vineyards matched to the soils and meso-climates with rootstocks and clones selected for each site. The Livermore Valley offers a climate ideal for growing red Bordeaux varieties, with a long growing season that develops ripe, round fruit flavours. Each vineyard was harvested separately and fermented in upright fermenters, with regular pumping over to increase colour and tannin extraction and improve mouthfeel. This wine was aged for 16 months in new and used French and Eastern European oak barrels as well as stainless steel tanks. Aging in stainless steel helps preserve fruit vibrancy in the wine.

