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2022 UNPRECEDENTED Cabernet Sauvignon



unprecedented ~ never done or known before



Napa Valley AVA, CA

25 Cases Produced

Alcohol % 15.5

Harvest Date Sept/Oct 2022

Bottling Date 2/6/2025

28 Months in 100% New French Oak

Drinking Window: 2026–2038

UNPRECEDENTED was born out of that “unprecedented year,” 2020, when three of our nine barrels resting that year were clearly better than the rest. We reserved portions of those barrels to bottle just 12 cases of the finest 2019 wine from Implicit Cellars. Since then, we have continued selecting the best barrels from each harvest, blending only 25 cases to represent the pinnacle of each vintage.

The 2022 Napa Valley harvest was shaped by a wet winter and warm summer capped by an early September heat event, requiring precise vineyard management to preserve balance and concentration. Rutherford produced plush Cabernet with its signature dusty tannins, while Atlas Peak’s elevation delivered structured wines with vibrant acidity. In Oakville, diverse soils yielded richly layered, concentrated fruit. Despite challenges, the vintage produced wines of depth, structure, and expressive Napa character.

Winemaker Notes: “Deep garnet-purple in color with remarkable depth and saturation, the 2022 Unprecedented Napa Cabernet Sauvignon immediately signals concentration and polish. The palate opens with a lush, juicy entry, unfolding layers of sweet cherry, ripe blackcurrant, and dense blackberry compote, framed by lifted red fruit aromatics that add brightness and precision.

On the mouth, subtle undertones of cocoa nib, graphite, and warm baking spice emerge with air, adding complexity without overpowering the fruit. Compact yet finely grained tannins provide a refined structural backbone, seamlessly integrated with vibrant acidity. The wine carries effortlessly through a long, resonant finish that lingers for nearly two minutes, leaving impressions of dark fruit and savory nuance. I love the tapering out effect that this elegant, focused, and expressive, reserve bottling captures both in richness and restraint.

I believe cellared and cared for well, this wine will survive to 2038 and beyond.

~ Kirk Venge