


# 2019 DUFFY CABERNET SAUVIGNON
# ALEXANDER VALLEY

The Cabernet Sauvignon comes from a small mountain vineyard just east of the town of Geyserville. The vineyard slopes to the southeast and is comprised of well-draining glacial loam, which controls growth and produces small berries and ultimately wines of deep concentration.

## Winemaking

Our goal is to highlight the special characters of Alexander Valley Cabernet while showcasing the distinct benefits and attributes associated with this magnificent vineyard. The Cabernet Sauvignon was handpicked October 1, 2019 at 25.5 degrees brix. The grapes were fermented 10 days to dryness and then macerated an additional twenty-one days to soften and develop the tannins. Following pressing 90% of the wine was moved to 60 gallon French Oak barrels where it received three gentle barrel to barrel rackings. This vintage was barrel-aged for thirty-six months prior to bottling. Optima is handcrafted, utilizing the best possible resources available. The result is an exceptional example of richness and balance that are the hallmarks of this world-renowned

## Tasting Notes




The 2019 Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon stands as the pinnacle of our collection, showcasing the most refined expression of Alexander Valley Cabernet. It opens with an opulent, multilayered bouquet of dark red cherry and ripe blackberry, seamlessly interwoven with notes of caramel. Nuanced aromas of espresso, cassis, and dark chocolate unfold alongside the unmistakable influence of 100% brand-new French oak, employed year after year over a three-year maturation, imparting elegant layers of vanilla, sweet spice, and polished structure. On the palate, the wine is richly expressive yet impeccably balanced, delivering a supple, full-bodied mouthfeel with a refined, medium tannic finish. Its power, depth, and precision make it an exceptional companion for robust meat dishes, while extended cellaring will reward patience, allowing the wine to evolve with remarkable complexity and distinction over time.

| | |
|---|---|
| **Appellation:** | **Alexander Valley** |
| **Blend:** | **100% Cabernet Sauvignon** |
| **Barrel Aging:** | **36 Months** |
| **Alcohol:** | **14.5%** |
| **pH:** | **3.69** |
| **RS:** | **None** |

101 Grant Ave Ste G, Healdsburg, CA 95448 ● nicol@optimawinery.com ● 707|431.8222