TURNBULL

2020

OAKVILLE RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON



"PEOPLE OFTEN ASK ME FOR MY RECOMMENDATION ON THE BOTTLE OF TURNBULL THEY SHOULD BUY...MY ANSWER IS ALMOST ALWAYS 'THE OAKVILLE RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON.' THE 2019 VINTAGE SHOWCASES SUCH ASTOUNDING DEPTH OF QUALITY, IT COULDN'T BE MORE TRUE." - PETER HEITZ, WINEMAKER

OUR STORY

Turnbull is rooted in the culture and history of the Napa Valley, making wine of exceptional quality in Oakville since 1979. At the core of our independently owned business is our estate-grown fruit, which we carefully tend to from dirt to bottle. We craft our wines with integrity and without compromise, and our signature is a wine defined by consistency of balance, structure, and depth.

WINEMAKING

It starts with the painstaking process of vinifying lot by lot, tasting and evaluating each for specific attributes and characteristics. Winemaker Peter Heitz weaves together a narrative of place, tasting through and chalking each barrel one by one to determine the final blends. Our wines are aged in 100% French Oak barrels and rest in bottle for extended time so that they may be enjoyed as they were intended: upon release and over the long-term.

Oakville Reserve is our Winemaker's selection of barrel lots that deliver decidedly classic Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon: a wine defined by bright, lifted fruit tones balanced by elegance and freshness.

VINEYARDS

The fruit for this Oakville Reserve bottling comes entirely from the Fortuna and Leopoldina Vineyards. Located in Eastern Oakville, these sites are situated upon the famous volcanic red soils that the Oakville AVA is known for. The soils from both sites give richness and texture to the resulting wines. The Fortuna Vineyard sits proudly on the alluvial fan at the base of the Oakville bench, and contributes red fruit and spice components to this wine. The Leopoldina Vineyard, high on the bedrock ridge above the Fortuna Vineyard, highlights structure, texture, and mid-palate weight.

VINTAGE NOTES

Our approach with the 2020 vintage was both straightforward, and unsparing. In our ever-committed effort to over-deliver on quality and taste, we did not use grapes if laboratory analysis showed any potential smoke issues—and even then, if our own numerous sensory evaluations left us with even a shadow of a doubt, we did not use those lots. Despite these challenges, 2020 was a great vintage and growing season. We maintain this to be a vintage where wine enthusiasts should focus on wineries they know and trust, that have a reputation for making exceptional wines vintage after vintage. We're excited about our 2020 wines, which are full of freshness, energy, and lovely natural acidity, with pure and vibrant flavors.

TASTING NOTES

Black figs, Bing cherries, and cedar waft out of the glass, beguiling the nose. Dollops of fresh raspberries, spiced plums, blackberries, and dried star anise pirouette along the palate with vigor and poise, guiding each sip through the dynamic and endless finish. Even in its youth, this wine embodies elegance and opulence effortlessly.

APPELLATION

Napa Valley

ALCOHOL

14.9% by volume

VARIETAL BREAKDOWN

96% Cabernet Sauvignon 4% Lagrein

VINEYARD BREAKDOWN

60% Leopoldina Vineyard, Oakville 40% Fortuna Vineyard, Oakville