

# TURNBULL

2022

BLACK LABEL  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON

“EXCITINGLY, OUR 2022 TÊTE DE CUVÉE MARKS THE TWENTY-FIFTH VINTAGE OF BLACK LABEL. SOURCED FROM THE ALLUVIAL AND BEDROCK SOILS OF TURNBULL’S IMPECCABLE OAKVILLE ESTATE VINEYARDS—FORTUNA AND LEOPOLDINA—THIS SPECIAL BOTTLING CAPTURES BOTH THE VINTAGE’S IMPRESSIVE FRUIT DENSITY AND POWER, AND THE UNMISTAKABLE SENSE OF PLACE OF THESE SIGNATURE SITES. WHAT DELIGHTS ME MOST IS ITS AROMATIC ENERGY: A VIBRANT, FLORAL LIFT THAT RISES FROM THE GLASS WITH UNCOMMON FINESSE. THIS IS A STRIKING EXPRESSION OF BLACK LABEL AND A COMPELLING GLIMPSE OF THE WINE’S FUTURE.”

-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.

This bottling is a signature selection of individual barrels that showcase dark, brooding, hedonistic characteristics, with dusty black fruits and an exotic floral lift. These barrels over-deliver, resulting in a wine of astounding purity and density.

## VINEYARDS

Black Label is a story of two alter egos coming together: Leopoldina Vineyard meets Fortuna Vineyard. The core of Black Label comes from our Leopoldina Vineyard, perched high atop the Oakville Bench. This vineyard delivers big, darkly brooding fruit notes and rich, hedonistic tones with well-defined structure and texture. Our Fortuna Vineyard, situated upon the Eastern Oakville alluvial fan, contributes a classic spice-box note, and highlights lift and focus, enhancing length and purity.

## VINTAGE NOTES

Affectionately called the "Tale of Two Vintages" among Napa Valley winemakers and vineyard managers, 2022 marks another fabulous year for Napa Valley. We started the 2022 vintage as usual, harvesting our white grapes in mid-August. Extreme heat in early September, followed by early rains hastened the initial picking of our reds. After these welcome rains, we enjoyed a longer, mild harvest season, allowing for even ripening and generous hang time on vine. The resulting age-worthy wines have perfect acidity, wonderful freshness, luxurious tannins, and exquisite fruit forward aromatics.

## TASTING NOTES

The 2022 Black Label is a captivating expression of this powerful yet rewarding vintage. Its irresistible bouquet of dark forest floor, ripe plums, and black cherries beckon the nose, inviting you to explore its depths. On the palate, juicy dark fruits unfold with balance and restraint, as fine, dimpled tannins drive with power, simultaneously lending structure through the dynamic finish while highlighting this wine's inherent grace.

## APPELLATION

Oakville

## ALCOHOL

14.9% by volume

## VARIETAL BREAKDOWN

92% Cabernet Sauvignon

8% Cabernet Franc

## VINEYARD BREAKDOWN

69% Leopoldina Vineyard, Oakville

31% Fortuna Vineyard, Oakville

