



**TOP
SELECTION**
EST. 2000

Decoy Limited Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

COUNTRY

United States

REGION

California

GRAPE

98% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2%
Merlot

VINTAGE

2021

ABOUT THE DOMAINE

Established in 1985, Decoy is recognized for its commitment to producing attractively priced wines from exceptional vineyard sources. Over the years, the Decoy lineup has grown to include California appellation designated Red Blend, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Zinfandel, Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Sauvignon Blanc. Decoy Limited was launched in 2018 and highlights winemaker Dana Epperson's favourite selections from renowned California appellations: Sonoma Coast, Alexander Valley and Paso Robles. These carefully chosen lots are celebrated for their expressiveness and authenticity, capturing the unique character of their respective regions.

WINEMAKING

The season began with a warm winter with less than 50% of average rainfall, leading to early drought precautions, including suckering, careful cover crop management, targeted irrigation and pruning for crop load. Budbreak occurred mid-March to early-April with bloom in mid-May. Summer temperatures fluctuated from 85° F to 105° F, which ensured excellent ripening. Aged in French oak barrels for 14 months, 40% new French oak and crafted using grapes from some of the most acclaimed Alexander Valley vineyards, including estate properties, this is the ultimate expression of Decoy Cabernet Sauvignon.

TASTING NOTES

Embodying the luxurious beauty of great Alexander Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, this alluring wine draws you in with complex aromas of black cherry, ripe plum, blackberry, and sweet baking spices. On the palate, the tannins are supple and round, framing juicy layers of dark berries and chocolate, with sophisticated hints of white pepper and toasty oak emerging throughout the long, resonant finish.



TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol by volume
14%

Acidity
0.58 g/100 ml

pH
3.62