

Z. Alexander BROWN®

UNCAGED CABERNET SAUVIGNON 2020 · CALIFORNIA



WINE UNCAGED

The owl is a guardian of the vine, and myths say it is present when the spirit is set free. A powerful symbol, the owl carries meaning on many levels for Zac Brown, a GRAMMY Award-winning artist whose creative spirit knows no boundaries.

Inspired by homegrown values and a lifelong connection to the land, Zac's passion for bringing music, food and people together ignited a natural gateway to wine – and a freedom to create. Bold and uncaged, Z. Alexander Brown unleashes a new palate-provoking wine rooted in the heart of California wine country.

WINEMAKER'S NOTE

Z. Alexander Brown Cabernet Sauvignon unfolds with rich aromas of black cherry, mocha and sweet toasted oak notes. Bold tannins frame a powerful mid-palate layered with mouth-filling flavors of blackberry and milk chocolate. Smooth and balanced, an elegant finesse defines the long and lingering finish.

– *Winemaker, John Killebrew*

VINTAGE

A cool start to the season brought on slow even ripening with enough rain to generate reservoirs establishing a strong root system. A warm Summer followed with few heat spikes promoting even canopy growth and fruit development that maintained bright fruit flavors. After a successful harvest along with lots of hard work, we are left with a Cabernet Sauvignon we are proud of – layered, balanced, and delicious.

WINEMAKING

Throughout the growing season, winemaker John Killebrew visited each vineyard block regularly. Picking decisions are based on winemaker evaluation, vineyard condition, and proper flavor ripeness. The grapes are picked in the cool of the morning and slowly warmed to fermentation temperatures. Early extraction with multiple pump-overs promotes great color and deep, smooth tannins. The wine then completes malolactic fermentation before blending. Complimentary oak styles are chosen to enhance the wine's aroma, flavor and texture.

TECHNICAL DATA

Total Acid: 0.59 g/100ml
Alcohol: 14.5% by volume
Final pH: 3.70

Zac Brown, proprietor

John Killebrew, winemaker