CGenerous aromas of black currant and fresh blackberry with added notes of violet, thyme, cracked pepper and holiday spices. Dark, dense fruit on the palate with a juicy core and mediumweight tannins. **)**

- Brenden Wood

RED WINEMAKER

2022 J. LOHR SHOTWELL VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Paso Robles El Pomar District

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VINEYARD

The J. Lohr Shotwell Vineyard is located in the El Pomar District of Paso Robles. The climate here is a moderate Region II on the Winkler heat accumulation scale, which characterizes it as a quite cool location for growing the late-ripening Cabernet Sauvignon variety. This tightly spaced, cane-pruned vineyard is laid out with 8 foot by 4 foot vine spacing on calcareous Linne-Calodo soil, and was planted from 2013 to 2015. The undulating hills at this location required that the row direction for planting follow the slope of each block.

VINTAGE

Paso Robles experienced a dry winter in 2022. Overall, rainfall for the vintage was only 65% of the 25-year historical average in the region. Weather was quite cool during budbreak in the month of April, with a few nights briefly dipping below freezing. However, plenty of warm, sunny days followed from spring through completion of veraison in early August. An unprecedented 10-day heat wave occurred in early September that accelerated berry ripeness and Brix accumulation. Thankfully, unusually cool, cloudy weather and a little bit of drizzle came in September, bringing relief to parched grapevines. This respite recharged vines for the final push into the last weeks of harvest.



HARVEST

DATES September 12th and October 7th, 2022

PROCESS Select Harvest picked then destemmed and crushed

CHEMISTRIES Brix 28.2 TA 0.53 g/100ml pH 3.54

COMPOSITION

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

VINIFICATION MATURATION

YEAST TIME IN BARREL Zymoflore Xpure Aged 18 months in barrel **FERMENTATION**

In conventional stainless BARREL TYPE steel tanks 60-gallon French oak barrels, 15% new TEMPERATURE

COOPERS 85°F peak Sylvain Reserve & MACERATION Marcel Cadet Water-7 days on skins

Bent MALOLACTIC 100% malolactic fermentation

BOTTLING

ACIDITY pH 3.58 TA 0.62 g/100ml ALCOHOL 15.2% by volume RESIDUAL SUGAR 0.13 g/100ml (dry) PRODUCTION 572 12-bottle cases

CELLARING

Will age gracefully for 10 to 12 years from vintage date.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Extaordinary with grilled steak with tarragonbeurre blanc sauce and roasted asparagus.





