

## Kendall-Jackson

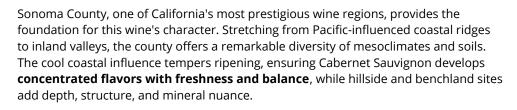
For decades, Kendall-Jackson has championed estate precision; nearly 70% of this blend comes from the same vineyard blocks each year, ensuring enduring complexity and style.



# Grand Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon 2022

California, USA

## Region and Vineyards



The Grand Reserve Cabernet is drawn from Kendall-Jackson's best estate vineyards across Sonoma's ridges and mountain slopes. These elevated sites, with their rocky, well-drained soils, yield **smaller berries of great intensity**. Benchland plantings contribute supple fruit and polished tannins, while the maritime breezes preserve acidity and aromatic lift. This interplay of vineyard sources produces a wine that is simultaneously bold, structured, and refined, a hallmark of the Grand Reserve tier.



This Grand Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon is the product of Kendall-Jackson's boutique-inspired approach, where each vineyard lot is vinified separately before blending. The 2022 vintage is composed of **100% estate fruit**, carefully monitored from vine to barrel to preserve purity of expression.

The wine was aged for **20 months in oak**, with 83% in French barrels (20% new) and 17% in American oak (3% new). This mix of cooperage layers in notes of mocha, vanilla, and subtle toast while respecting the varietal fruit. By sourcing **roughly 70% of the blend from the same vineyard blocks annually**, the winemaking team achieves remarkable stylistic consistency, while the remaining portion provides vintage character and complexity. The result is a Cabernet that embodies both structure and approachability, crafted to age gracefully.



Alcohol :14,50 %

Composition: 82% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Cabernet Franc, 5% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot, 2% Malbec







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### **Tasting Notes**

- **Color:** Deep ruby with garnet reflections, dense at the core and vibrant at the rim.
- **Aroma:** Expressive layers of blackberry, blueberry, and both red and black currants, accented by mocha, nutmeg, and a delicate frame of vanilla and toasted oak. Subtle chocolate tones add richness.
- **Palate:** Full-bodied yet refined, with concentrated dark fruit framed by finegrained tannins. Mocha, spice, and cocoa nuances unfold across a long, structured finish, marked by a mineral edge and lingering complexity.

#### Did you know?

Kendall-Jackson pioneered its **Grand Reserve tier** in the early 1990s as a way to highlight the best vineyard parcels from its vast estate holdings. Unlike many California producers that rely heavily on purchased fruit, Kendall-Jackson emphasizes **100% estate sourcing**, ensuring tighter control over quality and stylistic precision. This approach allows them to craft wines of remarkable **consistency across vintages**, while still reflecting the uniqueness of Sonoma's terroirs.

#### Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Grilled ribeye steak:** The wine's tannic backbone and dark fruit richness stand up beautifully to the marbled intensity of ribeye.
- **Braised short ribs:** The slow-cooked meat's succulence harmonizes with the wine's mocha, spice, and savory undertones.
- **Mushroom risotto:** Earthy porcini and creamy textures highlight the wine's mineral edge and velvety tannins.
- **Aged cheddar or gouda:** The bold fruit and oak complexity pair seamlessly with nutty, sharp cheeses.



#### Decanter (DCT): 93 Points (2021)

Rich with lots of dark fruits and chocolate here, and grainy tannins. There's also a chalkiness to this wine, perhaps due to the good tannic structure, that gives it dimension and ageability. (JG)



#### Robert Parker (RP): 93 Points (2019)

The 2019 Cabernet Sauvignon Grand Reserve is blended with 7% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc, 3% Malbec and 1% Petit Verdot and was matured for 15 months in 30% new French oak. It has a deep ruby-purple color and pretty accents of cinnamon, violet, leather, dried herbs and bitter chocolate complementing cassis fruit. The full-bodied palate is concentrated yet fresh, with finely grained tannins, pure flavors and a very long finish.







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Wines & Spirits (W&S): 91 Points (2019)



This grows at high-eleva-tion estate vineyards, predominantly from the mountains above Alexander Valley (91 percent) with a contribution from Knights Valley. That tight, mountain-grown struc-ture is apparent in the iron-filing austerity of the tannins and the restraint they place on the wine's dark floral fruit. You could play off the capsicum spice in those youthful tan-nins and decant this for a slow-braised pork shoulder. Or you could cellar it for five years or more.



