



BECKMEN VINEYARDS

2020 Santa Ynez Valley Cabernet Sauvignon

The 2020 season will be remembered for its intense heat spikes in the Santa Ynez Valley. Thankfully, unlike most parts of California, we had no fire and smoke issues with our grapes and wines. Other than the intense heat the season was a good one and has produced wines of outstanding quality with lower than average yields. The heat that came in August and September shut down some vines and caused damage to some fruit, so sorting in the vineyard and winery was essential to a successful vintage. Our biodynamic farming also helped to offset some of the negative effects of the heat which helped to make 2020 another stellar vintage for Beckmen Vineyards.

Composition	Vineyard	Harvest Dates
95% Cabernet Sauvignon 5% Merlot	Thomas and Judith Beckmen Estate Vineyard <i>Los Olivos District AVA</i> Other Vineyards <i>Santa Ynez Valley AVA & Ballard Canyon AVA</i>	9/28/20 - 10/19/20

Winemaking & Aging

- Made with two different clonal selections - 337, and See - on multiple rootstocks.
- Individual vineyard lots were destemmed, hand sorted, and gently crushed before cold-soaking for 48 hours to extract color and taste-enhancing phenolics.
- Fermentation took place in open tops for a period of 10-14 days, depending on the lot. The caps were punched down by hand twice daily. After fermentation, the free run wine was drained to tank and racked to barrel.
- The wine underwent spontaneous malolactic fermentation in barrel to integrate fruit and oak character.
- Aged 21 months in 22% new French oak, 78% seasoned and neutral oak.

Analysis

ALCOHOL: 14.8 PH: 3.80 TOTAL ACIDITY: 6.9

Production

1,425 cases

Tasting Notes

Notes of cherry, black currant, vanilla, tobacco, and earth.

Release Date

November 2022

Drinking Window

2022 – 2037

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\$40

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