



## Lang & Reed 2022 Cabernet Franc – California

When we began our exploration of Cabernet Franc twenty-seven vintages ago, our main goal was to explore the distinct charms of Cabernet Franc in California, a goal that remains today. Other objectives were to be flexible enough to take advantage of opportunities and to be nimble enough to face adversity. During the past few vintages in California, we have faced that adversity. As we sought out different viticultural areas throughout the Golden State, we were delighted to find some gems that exceeded our expectations and enhanced the profile of the wine that our reputation has been built upon for almost 30 years.

We were able to craft this Cabernet Franc from a handful of our historically sourced vineyards, along with the addition of some new vineyards from different viticultural areas, with the intention of always seeking a wine greater than any of the individual parts. T-bar-T Ranch in Alexander Valley in Sonoma remains as the underpinning of the wine, planted to the Entav 214 Cabernet Franc clone, a clone that hails from the Loire Valley. Quercus Ranch in Lake County is part of the main event, along with Cabernet Franc from the Talmage region, in Mendocino County, and from the Lodi AVA. When the final composition was achieved, the two hallmarks of Lang & Reed Cabernet Franc were clearly apparent: it had the charm of Cabernet Franc and the drinkability of Lang & Reed Cabernet Franc!

### Description

Autumnal impressions of dried leaves and 'sous bois' are prominent in the aromatics. Fresh forest floor mix with generous black cherry and herb aromas strike a dramatic first impression of this wine. The engaging scents lead into a medium to full-bodied flush of dark fruit, tart cherry, savory flavors that have a fresh texture and that leave a pleasing impression. The wine finishes as it starts, with all the pieces coming together. Drinking well right now, the wine will deliver its pleasure for several years to come.

Varietal Composition	100%	Cabernet Franc
Appellations	50%	Lake County – Big Valley AVA
	25%	Mendocino AVA - Talmage
	22%	Lodi AVA
	3%	Alexander Valley AVA – Sonoma County
Alcohol Content	14.25%	Alcohol by Volume
Total Acidity	0.58/100mL	
pH	3.83	
Cooperage	French Oak Barrels (seasoned) – 12 Months	
Case Production	1,724 Cases (12 x 750mL), 294 Cases (12 x 375mL)	
Bottling Date	August 21, 2023	
Label Design	Jeanne Greco, Caffe Greco Design, New York	
Release Date	Fall 2023	
UPC	855226003126	
SRP	\$29.00/750mL	

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