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CABERNET SAUVIGNON · STAGS LEAP DISTRICT

2022 Hillside Select

Hillside Select is a wine of a place, sourced from carefully selected blocks of Stags Leap District hillside vineyards. These grapes are small and deeply colored, with concentrated flavors enhanced by meticulous winemaking and extensive aging in French oak barrels. Hillside Select consistently expresses the voluptuous fruit, rich flavors, and velvety texture that characterize grapes grown in this renown AVA.

RELEASE DATE	September 1, 2025
VINEYARD LOCATIONS	100% hillside vineyards in Stags Leap District including Shafer's estate vineyard blocks Sunspot, John's Upper Seven, Venado Ilegal, and Firebreak
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
BRIX AT HARVEST	24.0° – 26.0°
COOPERAGE	28 months in 100% new 60-gallon French oak barrels (Allier and Tronçais)
ALCOHOL	15.5%
CASE PRODUCTION	2,900
SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE	$395

2022 GROWING SEASON

The long, sunny 2022 summer created a growing season of incredible promise. The fruit developed rich color with clean, elegant, and pure aromas and flavors.

"The 2022 Hillside Select opens with generous aromatics, poise, and elegance. Hailing from a true Mediterranean vintage, the balance of opulence and freshness is striking with vibrant aromas and flavors of blackberry, plums, acai, toast, espresso, dark chocolate, and dried herbs. The ripe tannins are exquisitely integrated offering tension, depth, and enormous promise for layers of beauty and complexity in the coming decades."

ELIAS FERNANDEZ, WINEMAKER

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

"... a dense, full-bodied wine. Super-ripe dark red/purplish fruit ... there's density and power in this young sumptuous Hillside Select."

ANTONIO GALLONI, VINOUS · 95-98

"... a solid success in the vintage, offering a beautifully layered, rich, textured style on the palate ... a full-bodied 2022 that his sweet tannins and great purity."

JEB DUNNUCK · 95-97