



ALPHA OMEGA
CABERNET SAUVIGNON
STRICKER VINEYARD
MOUNT VEEDER
Napa Valley
2021

VINTAGE NOTES

Late winter rains followed by ideal spring growing conditions set the stage for the 2021 vintage. Mild temperatures punctuated this drought year with only a few heat spikes during the summer months that led to early ripening and allowed us to harvest some early blocks with incredible old-world charm and intriguing complexity. Grapes that were harvested later benefited from the longer hang time and ripened perfectly, displaying great depth with distinct regional character. The ideal weather of 2021, coupled with lower yields, produced wines that offer intense aromatics and flavors with excellent aging potential.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

Stricker Vineyard (formerly known as Drew Vineyard) traces its lineage back to George Drew, who originally purchased the property in 1889 from the U.S. government. Renowned architect Larry Stricker acquired the property in 1986 and developed a 17-acre vineyard before selling it to Alpha Omega in 2015. At altitudes of 1,000 to 1,500 feet, this dramatic, terraced vineyard in the Mount Veeder AVA boasts steep inclines and rocky, well drained soils surrounded by tall redwoods which provide morning and afternoon shade and overall cooler temperatures. Planted to the historic Kunde clone, the Cabernet Sauvignon blocks occupy some of the steepest terrain of the vineyard.

ABOUT ALPHA OMEGA

Alpha Omega is a family-owned winery in Rutherford, the heart of Napa Valley. Handcrafting wines from highly regarded Napa vineyards, Alpha Omega's winemakers combine Old World philosophy of balance and structure with New World state-of-the-art techniques. Masterful blending results in wines that uniquely express the essence of the terroir of this legendary wine region. Surrounded by fountains, vineyards and mountains, the beauty of this modern farm-style winery is as captivating as its wine.

WINEMAKING

This wine is 98% Cabernet Sauvignon and 2% Malbec and was 75% barrel fermented in French oak, 50% new and 50% one-year-old barriques and 25% stainless steel fermented. The wine was then aged for 20 months in French oak, 60% new and 40% one-year-old barriques.

Sight	Deep ruby red
Nose	Ripe black plum and macerated cherry aromas accent notes of bay leaf, paprika, potting soil, grilled meat, iron shavings and espresso.
Palette	Concentrated cassis and boysenberry flavors combine with notes of cola, dark chocolate, saffron, cedar, shitake mushroom and vanilla bean accented by a firm minerality.