

SKIPSTONE

2022 SKIPSTONE OLIVER'S BLEND

Winemaking Team

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Varietal Composition

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage Notes

Sonoma's 2022 vintage offered attractive, powerful wines that are immensely giving and accessible in their youth, with concentrated fruit and supple, well-integrated tannins to provide the backbone to support further evolution in the bottle over time. Late 2021 rains set the stage for a strong growing season by replenishing soil moisture from the preceding dry years. An early budbreak and moderate spring resulted in naturally small and concentrated berries. The gentle slopes and steep hillsides of Skipstone's estate vineyard moderated summer temperatures and stabilized ripening, easing the vines to perfectly balanced sugar and tannin levels at harvest. Meticulous attention to detail and traditional winemaking methods were used to craft wines that are a true expression of our distinct vineyard site. The resulting wines are dynamic, deeply aromatic, and have the structure and concentration to age well for years to come.

Winemaking regime

Skipstone hand-sorted then precision optical sorted berry by berry the grapes from our estate. Each of the 4 lots that comprised the final blend of this wine were fermented and left on the skins for an average of 28 days prior to pressing. The wine was aged for 19 months in 72% new French oak barrels prior to being bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

487 cases produced

A luxurious wine of depth and elegance, the exceptional 2022 Oliver's Blend boasts seductive aromatics of wild berries, black cherry, jasmine, and violet punctuated by captivating accents of petrichor and sandalwood incense. The entry coats the palate with loads of red and black fruits, savory spices, and enticing notes of cardamon, cedar, and red licorice. The long and seamless finish is braced by remarkably fine tannin and the vivacity to age gracefully over the next 15 to 20 years. Enjoy today with a 2 hour decant. Best 2026-2042.

