

SKIPSTONE

2023 SKIPSTONE OLIVER'S BLEND

Winemaking Team

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Varietal Composition

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vintage Notes

The 2023 vintage was extraordinary. The exceptionally long and cool growing season provided new-perfect conditions in the vineyard for uniform ripening, complex flavor development, and impeccable tannin ripeness. The wines of this spectacular vintage will be known for their purity of fruit, depth of flavor and refined, silky structure. With remarkable balance, freshness, and age-worthy potential, the 2023 vintage is poised to be one of the region's most celebrated this century.

Winemaking regime

Skipstone hand-sorted then precision optical sorted berry by berry the grapes from our estate. Each of the 5 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 70% new French oak barrels prior to being bottled unfined and unfiltered.

591 cases produced

A wine of incredible depth and sophistication, the 2023 Oliver's Blend captivates with an opulent bouquet of ripe cassis, blackberry compote, and crushed violets, interwoven with evocative hints of graphite, star anise, and sandalwood. The entry is beautifully textured, offering layers of dark cherry, plum skin, and wild sage, underscored by nuances of cocoa nib, clove, and incense. Silky yet powerful tannins frame the wine's elegant finish. With impeccable balance and structure, this wine promises to age gracefully over the next 20 years. Best 2026-2045.

