

# DAOU

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2023

The 2023 DAOU Cabernet Sauvignon exemplifies DAOU's founding commitment to Paso Robles as California's next great region for Cabernet Sauvignon.

This Cabernet Sauvignon belongs to our DAOU Collection—a line of wines dedicated to showcasing the regional excellence of Paso Robles on California's Central Coast. Since DAOU's founding in 2007, we have developed longstanding relationships with leading local growers, enabling us to produce wines that capture the essence of Paso Robles.

### Wine Profile

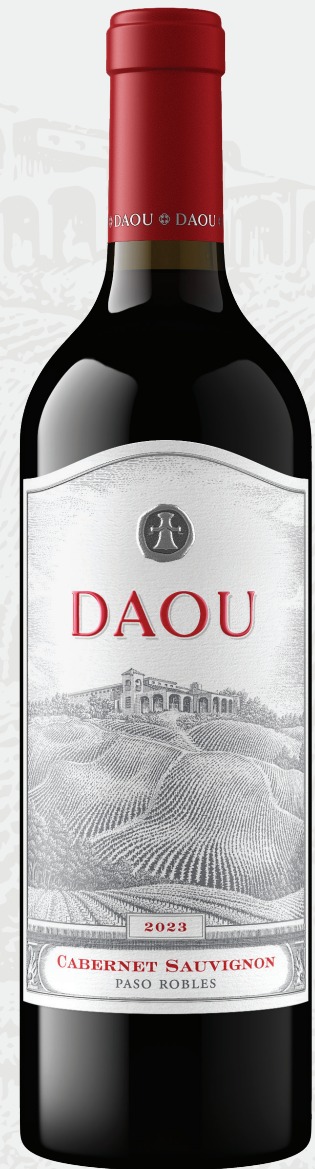
The 2023 DAOU Cabernet Sauvignon is a powerful, complex and layered wine with heady aromas of black plum, Zante currant, frankincense and sage. Trailing scents of blackberry, cardamom and espresso bean reveal accents of vanilla, saddle leather and cinnamon toast. On the palate, fine-grained tannins provide structure and support for rich flavors of black cherry, raspberry and mulberry, while secondary layers offer black olive, sandalwood and dark chocolate. A velvety texture finishes with lingering impressions of chocolate-covered cherry, dried herbs and toasty oak.

### The Vintage

The 2023 growing season was fueled by abundant winter rainfall that exceeded 30 inches in several areas of Paso Robles, more than double the annual average. This much-needed water replenished the soils and mitigated some of the impact of recent drought years. The long winter led to a late bud break followed by moderate summer temperatures. These conditions allowed for an extended hang time, with harvest starting a few weeks later than typical. Finally, October brought a series of warm days that allowed for a perfect alignment of physiological ripeness. The overall quality of the 2023 vintage is exceptional. The wines have retained freshness and natural acidity while displaying beautiful flavor development.

### The Vineyards

The Paso Robles AVA spans many diverse terroirs with the common benefit of a moderating coastal influence. Warm days are followed by cool marine breezes, creating diurnal temperature swings of up to 50 degrees during the summer growing season. Sustainable farming practices, deficit irrigation and high-density vine plantings combine to foster grapes with natural quality and structure. The fruit is hand harvested at peak physiological ripeness to ensure that it reaches the winery in perfect condition.



#### Alcohol %

14.5%

#### Varietals

77% Cabernet Sauvignon

12% Merlot

11% Petit Verdot

#### Aging

8 months in 50% new French oak

#### AVA

Paso Robles