

DAOU

RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

EL POMAR DISTRICT

2024

Our longtime passion for Cabernet Sauvignon is reflected in this special selection from the El Pomar District. Situated at the center of the Paso Robles AVA, this district features rolling hills, diverse soils and persistent sea breezes that guide the Cabernet Sauvignon grape to peak varietal expression.

Wine Profile

The 2024 vintage displays brooding crimson hues with nuanced aromas of black fruit, cranberry, coffee, chocolate and baking spices. Soft, round and integrated, the palate offers a rush of red fruit flavors with whispers of blueberry, cocoa and strawberry compote. Balanced acidity and lush tannins leave a long, lingering impression.

The Vintage

The 2024 growing season began with abundant winter rains that replenished the soils and set the stage for healthy canopy development. Up to 21 inches of rainfall was observed, with the last storm landing in mid April. Temperatures remained mild through spring and early summer, followed by a two-week heat event starting in early July. The remainder of summer was marked by warm days coupled with cool evenings—a trend that led to optimal ripening and smaller berries with concentrated flavors. The harvest season saw two heatwaves that were punctuated by sustained cooling-off periods, allowing the DAOU vineyard team to pause and wait for peak maturation before picking. The resulting wines combine density and power with elegance and freshness, delivering a memorable vintage from Paso Robles.

The Vineyards

The El Pomar District sits near the heart of the Paso Robles AVA, where rolling hills and ancient terraces range from 740 to 1,600 feet in elevation. The district's diverse soils, including well-developed loams and clay loams with pockets of calcareous material, provide an ideal foundation for Cabernet Sauvignon. Persistent marine breezes moderate the warm growing season, allowing the grapes to develop rich varietal character while preserving balance and structure. These conditions consistently guide Cabernet Sauvignon to peak expression, yielding wines of depth, concentration, and elegance.



Aging

18 months in 50% new French oak

Alcohol %

14.9%

Varietal

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AVA

El Pomar District, Paso Robles