King Estate



2020 VINTAGE REPORT

Marked by extreme and rare weather events, the 2020 vintage is a story of challenge and triumph. Up until Labor Day, conditions were mostly warm and dry, though early swings between high temperatures and cool spring weather led to significant shatter—resulting in smaller berries and more compact clusters that have, in turn, concentrated the fruit's character. As the season progressed, the convergence of extreme heat and fierce winds sparked wildfires, and smoke blanketed parts of the valley. While some vineyards were affected, others remained largely shielded from the impact.



Through rigorous testing of our own lots and close collaboration with our vineyard partners, we identified high-quality fruit from the low-impact sites. Although overall yields are lighter, the natural stress has deepened the complexity and concentration of the grapes, ensuring that the wines from this vintage are as exceptional and distinctive as the weather that produced them.

