

2022 VINTAGE REPORT

Despite a heart-stopping frost on April 15, the 2022 vintage rallied to a highly successful conclusion. Optimal conditions in late June produced an exceptional fruit set that carried through July and August. By August, crop estimates exceeded expectations, signaling a rebound from the early frost. On September 28, the first fruit—about seven tons of Sauvignon Blanc from southern Oregon—arrived, and estate harvest began on September 30. In total, the vintage produced 4,761 tons of fruit, including 1,589 tons from King Estate.



A warm September followed by the warmest October on record accelerated ripening and boosted yields, creating the challenge of harvesting a large amount of ripe fruit within a compressed window. Exactly 40 days after harvest began, the season concluded on Sunday, November 6, with the arrival of the final bin—a collection of Cabernet Sauvignon from Washington state's Walla Walla Valley.



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“We had ideal weather in October which allowed us to hang the fruit for continued flavor development,” notes COO/Winemaker Brent Stone. “We saw little rain until over 4,000 tons had been harvested, which was a surprise given the later part of the year.”