



STONEFLY

VINEYARDS



2008 CABERNET SAUVIGNON Alexander Valley

The dense purple hue this 2008 Cabernet displays, aligns beautifully with the rich aromatics of ripe, sweet blackberries. Savor notes of toasted vanilla, black pepper, and rich, dark chocolate. It's lush and silky smooth with a lingering finish.

THE APPELLATION

Alexander Valley is named for pioneer Alexander Cyrus; this AVA is located at the northern end of Sonoma County and runs 22 miles long, varying in width from two to seven miles. The area's rugged terrain is recognized as one of the New World's premier growing regions for Bordeaux varietals. The warmer inland temperatures of this mountainous region are cooled at night by the maritime air that flows from the coast up the Russian River, which winds from the north to the south of Alexander Valley. This daily convergence of temperatures creates a myriad of varying microclimates ideal for Cabernet. World-class Cabernet Sauvignon grapes thrive along the rolling hillsides and mountain ridges. Soils are shallow and rocky, adding impressive depth and concentration to the character of this variety.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Appellation: Alexander Valley

Varietal Composition: 93% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Merlot

Brix at Harvest: 26.3

Barrel aging: 15-months in French (25%) and American Oak (75% two-year old barrels)

Bottled: May 25, 2010

Alcohol: 14.5%

Total Acidity: .58

pH: 3.76

Production: 139 cases