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CHALK HILL

MOSSBACK

2023 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The Wine

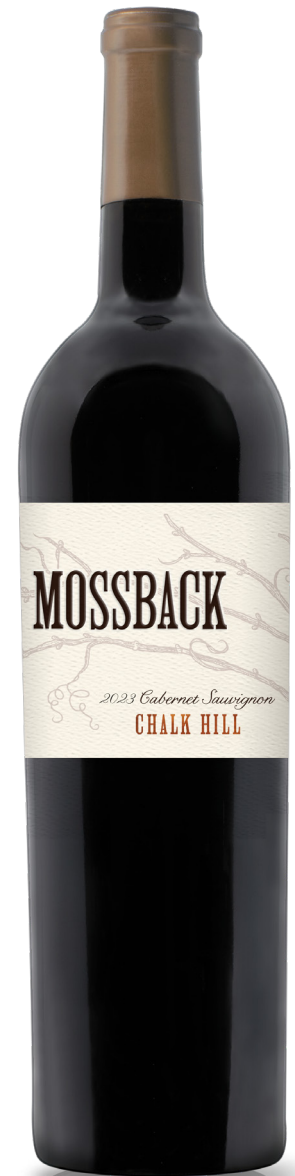
This Cabernet Sauvignon is from the famed Chalk Hill appellation in Sonoma County's Russian River Valley. From the first swirl you will be greeted with bold aromas of leather, tobacco, and a touch of cigar box that transitions to layers of cassis, rich chocolate and juicy blackberry. On the palate, it's dense, mouth-filling, and smooth, with a surprising lift of raspberry in the finish to keep things lively. Well-structured and generous, open it now for an elegant sip or let it age. Either way serve this alongside a blackened steak for a pairing so heavenly, your taste buds will write you a thank-you note.

The Story

The term MOSSBACK is an old-time expression for farmers, folks who are both connected to their roots and to the land. The Giguere family has a strong, storied tradition of farming out here in the Dunnigan Hills, which is why we hold these folks in high regard. These wines are a nod to those men and women who understand more than anyone the delicate relationship between vine, climate and soil.

The Cellar

Our Mossback Cabernet Sauvignon grapes were hand-harvested at night, and quickly delivered to our winery. These cold grapes were destemmed and crushed into small stainless-steel fermenters. The must was chilled to 55 degrees for 24 hours for its "cold soak" to enhance the berry aromas, and the juice was bled from the tank to concentrate flavors. During fermentation, we pumped over the wine twice a day to enhance color stability and aromas. A portion of the crushed fruit was fermented in French oak barrels to further intensify color and flavor. Tank fermented lots were pressed off at dryness then aged 22 months in French, hybrid (Hungarian and American oak) and American oak. The barrel fermented lots were pressed off after 90 days of skin contact then returned to the same barrels in which they were fermented. The final blend contains 12% Petit Verdot and 3% Merlot for additional depth and structure.



Appellation

Chalk Hill

Blend

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Alcohol

13.9%

Production

222 cases

TA *pH*

5.10 g/L

3.43



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