

LIONS HEAD

LUXURY COLLECTION

2022

LION TAMER CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY



BORN BOLD IN THE NAPA VALLEY

Lion Tamer is the power of the Napa Valley harnessed. These wines are a pure representation of the winemaker's craft and their ability to tame the unruly tannins of mountain fruit.

The name Lion Tamer has become our nickname for Malbec because we use this grape as a blending variety to tame powerful tannins.

FROM THE CELLAR

“In crafting this wine, we strive for the perfect balance between hedonism and elegance. By incorporating a touch of Malbec into the blend, we enhance the softness of the tannins, resulting in a smooth and seamless experience. These supple tannins envelop the palate, revealing layers of blackberries and dark cherries, complemented by hints of freshly ground coffee. The wine is beautifully balanced, featuring well-integrated sweet oak notes that culminate in a lengthy, elegant finish”

– Stephanie Pope, Senior Winemaker

TECHNOLOGY AND WINEMAKING

Our Lions Head Cellar houses some of the most progressive winemaking technology allowing our winemakers to craft wines of exceptional quality that showcase the distinctive lands from which they come. The winemakers leverage tools like our optical sorter, which ensures only the highest quality berries are delivered to the fermentation tanks; and cutting-edge tanks, which facilitate 24/7 monitoring of pumpovers and micro-adjustments to be made throughout the winemaking process.

RESILIENCE IN THE VINEYARD

Vintage 2022 began with a warm spring and little rain. By the time fall was kicking off a heat wave came, through around Labor Day weekend, then shifted back to temperate conditions. This resulted in lower yields with small berries that were packed with intensely lush flavor. Early ripening, sunny summer heat, and a lack of water were balanced out by a very welcomed cool ending to the fall season. The extreme fall weather created interesting conditions for our fruit to steady and allowed us to harvest at the optimal moment to make a beautifully balanced wine. Vintage 2022 will continue to be celebrated for its dense fruit, bold structure, and unforgettable complexity.

BLEND:	86% Cabernet Sauvignon 12% Malbec 2% Petite Sirah
ALCOHOL:	14.5%
PH:	3.53
TA:	0.6 gms/100ml
COOPERAGE:	Aged in 40% New French and American oak barrels for 20 months
HARVESTED:	Sept. 9 - Oct. 17, 2022