

PASO ROBLES AVA

# ADELAIDA

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ESTATE  
2023

<b>AROMA</b>	Anise, Violet, Turned soil, Adelaida chaparral
<b>FLAVOR</b>	Black currant, Cedar, Mocha, Savory spices
<b>FOOD PAIRINGS</b>	Cast-iron sautéed hanger steak with shallots and shitake mushrooms; Honey-soy baked chicken thighs
<b>VINEYARD DETAILS</b>	Tír na nÓg Vineyard Willow Creek District 67%   Viking Vineyard Adelaida District 33%

Adelaida's organically-certified estate vineyards are located in the coastal-influenced Santa Lucia Mountain Range on the west side of the Paso Robles AVA. Situated on steep hillsides, these sites lie within the nested Adelaida and Willow Creek Districts, in the northwest corner of the wine region. With elevations ranging from (1400 - 2050 ft), limestone subsoils, and extreme diurnal temperature swings, averaging 45 degrees, Adelaida produces wines with distinct expressions of their site.

The 2023 growing season at Adelaida was the longest and coolest in 12 years. We received 30.66" of rainfall—10 inches more than in the 2022 growing season—and did not see even a single day hit 100F (although we came close on July 15, when it hit 99.77F). We began picking on September 5. August and September were especially cool, and there were many points when we worried that ripening might not occur before the rains came. Fortunately, October days were nice and warm, and the rains did not begin until November 18, well after our final pick of the year on November 8.

The long, cool growing season of 2023 played right into the hands of Winemaker Jeremy Weintraub, who is looking for tension, balance, and a sense of place from these mountain vineyards. Classic Cabernet Sauvignon, full of intense, bold flavors, along with lifted, nuanced aromatics. Tannic, structured, and dramatic, this is a Cabernet lover's wine from start to finish. The fantastic 2023 vintage showcases the strengths of our mountain vineyards: highlighting exuberant aromatics, juicy natural grape acidity, and grippy, dusty tannins. The wine opens with bright, perfumed red fruit pastilles aromas, along with classic blackcurrants swirling in exotic spice notes on the highly expressive nose. Flavors of ripe black raspberry, juicy preserved plums, and hints of vanilla, which we categorize as Willow Creek spice and Adelaida dust.



<b>VARIETAL</b>	Cabernet Sauvignon 100%	<b>COOPERAGE</b>	Aged in French oak barrels for 20 months (15% new)
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	14.8%	<b>RELEASE</b>	July 2025
<b>CASES</b>	1427	<b>RETAIL</b>	\$35