

# ADELAIDA

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WILLOW CREEK DISTRICT - TIR NA NOG VINEYARD

2023

<b>AROMA</b>	English Leather, Cocoa Nib, Cedar
<b>FLAVOR</b>	Black Cherry, Guajillo Chili, Brown Sugar
<b>FOOD PAIRINGS</b>	Braised Short Ribs with Espresso Rub Black Garlic & Sage Pasta
<b>VINEYARD DETAILS</b>	Tir Na Nog Vineyard   1700 - 1870 feet Calcareous Limestone Soil

Adelaida's organically-farmed vineyards are located in the coastal influenced Santa Lucia Mountain Range on the west side of the Paso Robles AVA. 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 2023 Willow Creek Cabernet Sauvignon is a sophisticated expression of Adelaida's neighboring sub-appellation. This vintage opens with a commanding and classic bouquet, featuring the refined scents of English leather, toasted cocoa nib, and aromatic cedar. On the palate, the wine reveals striking depth and a playful hint of spice. Succulent layers of black cherry are complemented by the subtle, smoky warmth of Guajillo chili, while a touch of brown sugar lends a velvety richness to the finish. With its rounded tannins and impeccable balance, this Cabernet Sauvignon offers a seamless transition from savory aromatics to a lush, fruit-driven core. Enjoy now through 2033.



<b>VARIETAL</b>	Cabernet Sauvignon 100%	<b>COOPERAGE</b>	Aged in 52% new French oak for 20 month
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	14.6%	<b>RELEASE</b>	Fall 2026
<b>CASES</b>	867	<b>RETAIL</b>	\$60