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VINEYARD



## { NOTE FROM THE WINEMAKER }

**Greetings from Firestone** in the heart of Santa Barbara wine country, where we are in the middle this year's harvest season and the winery is bustling with activity and excitement. The cellar is a symphony of aromas and energy as we assemble 2022 vintage blends and put them back to rest in barrels during harvest. We are busy emptying barrels for filling, conducting maintenance checks and calibrations, and fine-tuning our harvest and fermentation protocols. In the vineyards we are assessing fruit, scheduling picks, processing grapes, inoculating with yeast, managing ferments, running lab analysis, tasting ferments, pressing off wines, barreling down wines, making our initial lot grading assessments, and cleaning. It is our busiest time of year and the best time of year where we perform the most critical step in our winemaking journey, and I love every minute of its creativity.

I am thrilled to share with you the stars of this season's wine club shipment: our **2022 The Chairman Series Fumé Blanc**, the **2022 Malbec**, and the **2021 The Chairman Series Merlot**.

The **Chairman Series 2022 Fumé Blanc** from Santa Barbara County is an exquisite, aromatic wine crafted from the Musqué clone. This wine boasts tropical and stone fruit aromatics enriched by a touch of oak which imparts richness and complexity, elevating this Fumé to an experience that dances across your palate. Pair this wine alongside a delicate amuse-bouche featuring chèvre for your upcoming Thanksgiving festivities. The Fumé Blanc's aromatic nuances will entwine elegantly with the creamy tang of the cheese, setting the state for an exquisite meal.

The **2022 Malbec** is a hidden gem planted to three blocks on our estate vineyard in Santa Ynez Valley. Radiating with jammy, juicy goodness and bright acidity, this wine's subtle tannins and vibrant character make it a versatile companion for any occasion. From fall gatherings to Thanksgiving feasts, our Malbec shines as a food-friendly marvel and will elevate your turkey, cranberry sauce, and all the fixings to new heights.

Our **2021 The Chairman Series Merlot** features grapes from the best vineyard blocks on our estate in Santa Ynez Valley. Inviting aromas of juicy black plum and cherry fruit create an irresistible first impression, while brambled blackberry fruit and cocoa ribbons on the palate add layers of velvety complexity with hints of espresso on the finish. This is a meticulously balanced wine that embodies the best expressions of a classic Merlot. Our Merlot will seamlessly bridge all the flavors of your Thanksgiving feast.

Harvest season is the perfect time to visit us. Read more about our new experiences and events below. Come visit, relax, and enjoy a sip of your favorite Firestone wine. We would love to see you and we thank you for your continued support and membership!

Cheers,

Lorna Kreutz, Winemaker



### 2022 THE CHAIRMAN SERIES FUMÉ BLANC, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

This wine is comprised of grapes from the best vineyard block on our estate. The Musqué clone makes this a highly aromatic wine, with tropical guava, peach and nectarine notes. The palate is bright, with lively acidity and flavors of confectionery pineapple meringue accented by grapefruit and citrus on the finish.

APPELLATION	Santa Barbara County
COMPOSITION	100% Sauvignon Blanc
ALCOHOL	14.3%
AGING	7 months in French and American oak, 5% new
PRODUCTION	805 cases



### 2020 MALBEC, SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

This wine is lush and juicy, opening with aromas of boysenberry cobbler and a nuance of confectionery vanilla bean that lead to red and black fruit on the palate. Pops of pomegranate acidity make this wine an ideal pairing for Thanksgiving dinner.

APPELLATION	Santa Ynez Valley
COMPOSITION	100% Malbec
ALCOHOL	14.4%
AGING	17 months in French and American oak, 10% new
PRODUCTION	450 cases



### 2021 THE CHAIRMAN SERIES MERLOT, SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

This Chairman Series wine opens with mouthwatering aromas of juicy black plum and cherry fruit. On the palate, it has a rich mouthfeel with brambled blackberry and ribbons of cocoa, finishing with hints of espresso. This wine is perfectly balanced and features the best expressions of a classic Merlot.

APPELLATION	Santa Ynez Valley
COMPOSITION	100% Merlot
ALCOHOL	14.5%
AGING	18 months in French and American oak, 15% new
PRODUCTION	573 cases



## {NEW EXPERIENCES }



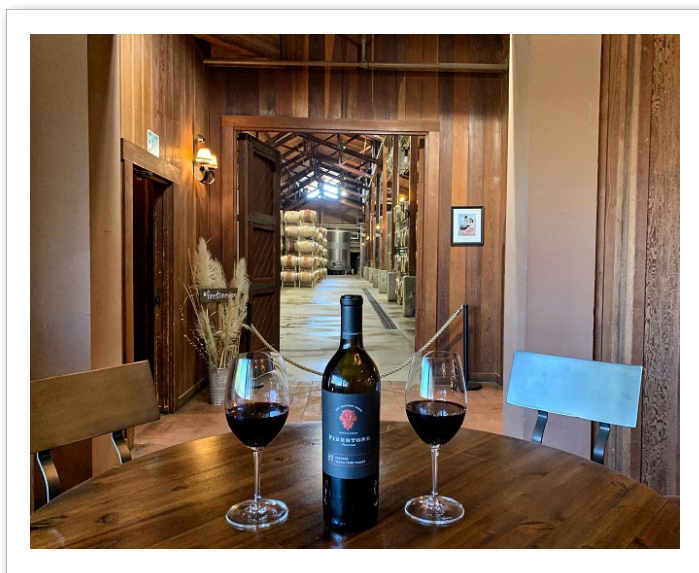
### PRIVATE WINERY TOUR & WINE TASTING

Enjoy a private tour of our working winery and picturesque estate vineyards when you join us for an intimate look behind-the-scenes at Firestone. You will learn about the history of Firestone Vineyard while tasting wines along the way from the vineyards on our estate.

Your tour will include stops at our lower terrace (weather permitting), history and library rooms, barrel room, and conclude in the Firestone Lounge where you will enjoy wine and a gourmet charcuterie board prepared especially for your group.

- This tour is offered at 10:30am, Monday, Thursday and Friday, 4 to 8 guests. 21 years of age and over only.
- No pets are permitted due to stops in our HACCP certified winery and lounge.
- Pricing: \$100 per person, \$80 per person for wine club members.
- Reservations are required for this guest experience.

[Click to reserve your spot!](#)



### BLIND TASTING MONDAYS

Put your deduction skills to the test with our new experience, Blind Tasting Mondays, beginning Monday, June 26th!

More than just a party trick, blind tasting helps you understand the wine in your glass. You'll have fun making your best guess, and points are awarded for guessing the correct major varietal, vintage, and region. Perfect scores receive 250 Foley Food & Wine Society loyalty points, a \$25 value that may be used toward future purchases.

- Blind taste 3 wines for \$25 per person.
- Complimentary for wine club members. No reservations necessary.
- When you're finished, sample a couple wines from our current flight.
- We're open Mondays 11am – 5pm, last tasting starts at 4pm.



## {RECENT ACCLAIM }

**90 POINTS**

2022 Rosé, Wine Enthusiast

**92 POINTS**

2020 Chardonnay, JamesSuckling.com

**90 POINTS**

2019 Syrah, Wine Enthusiast

**90 POINTS**

2020 Cabernet Franc, Wine Enthusiast

**90 POINTS**

2020 Cabernet Sauvignon, Wine Enthusiast

**90 POINTS**

2019 The Chairman Series Lineage, Wine Enthusiast



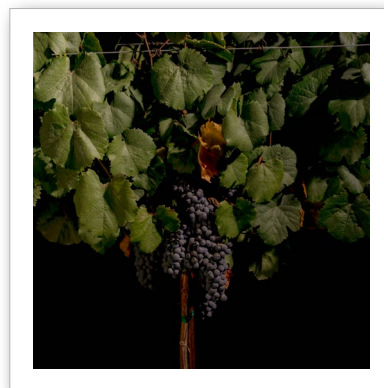
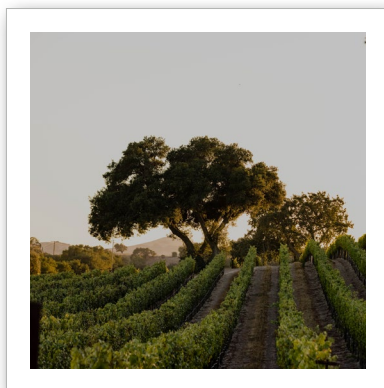
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