STONEHORSE
BY KAESLER

Cabernet Sauvignon - 2021

The Stonehorse Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from our estate owned and managed Clare vineyard. Our Stonehorse range of wines are named after the Clydesdale horses that used to work the heavy clay soil at the Kaesler vineyard property.

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

A very cold and wet winter saw a later than average bud burst but provided fantastic soil moisture heading into the growing season. These cool and wet conditions prevailed right through spring providing challenging conditions around flowering and fruit set. The vineyard was heavily shoot thinned to reduce the disease pressure and control fruit load. This strategy paid off as the season continued to be cooler than average and a very late vintage was looming. Vintage started around 3 weeks later than normal and the mild conditions allowed for a relatively calm harvest with ample time to pick the parcels at the optimum time.

REGENERATIVE FARMING

At Kaesler we strive to not only maintain but rebuild the soils, because at the end of the day we want to leave these precious old vines in better condition than we found them. It's a process called 'regenerative farming' as it's more than sustainability, it is a practice that constantly evolves so we are not just sustaining the environment we are improving it.

WINEMAKING

The fruit for the Stonehorse Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from our estate vineyards in the Polish Hill & Watervale sub regions of the Clare Valley. The vine age is from the mid 80s. The fruit is machine harvested in the early morning, then crushed and destemmed. Fermentation takes 7 to 9 days and then pressed to tank and let rest for a few days. Half is then put into
2- and 3-year-old barrels, with the remaining balance staying in tank.. A wine to enjoy in its youth, however, it will happily live for a further 10 years.

APPEARANCE

Deep crimson, blood red.

PALATE

Rich and dense with a lovely blue fruit freshness. The tannins are perfectly ripe, intrinsically Cabernet yet supple enough that you keep coming back for more.

BOQUET

Plum, hints of crushed leaf and choc mint, lovely blueberry lift.

FOOD PAIRING

Lamb and other red meats or hearty mushroom dishes.



Varieties	Cabernet Sauvignon 100%
Vine Age	Planted in 2000
Region	Clare Valley
Soil Type	Loam over clay
Harvest	Machine harvest
Oak Origin	French
Maturation	15 months
Winemaker	Tim Dolan & Stephen Dew
Closure	Screw
pH/TA	3.45/6.53g/L
Vegan	Yes
Alcohol	14.5%
Peak Drinking	Now - 2031