



GUARDIAN CELLARS

2022 The Alibi

Release Date: September 2025

Tasting Notes

One of our key Bordeaux blends, this vintage is comprised of 64% Cabernet Sauvignon, 32% Merlot, and 4% Petit Verdot from Quintessence Vineyards in red Mountain. This wine features notes of savory spice and berries on the nose. Now sip, you'll be greeted by notes of leather, toasty oak, and melted dark chocolate. The Alibi, which was aged on 84% new French oak, is concentrated and powerful. "It would pair beautifully with a wild mushroom risotto or a cozy Beef Bourguignon with a crackly baguette," Jennifer our owner.

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AVA

Red Mountain

Vineyards

Quintessence



Winemaking Notes

For the 2022 Vintage, the grapes in The Alibi were hand-harvested then destemmed into 1.5-ton fermenters. They were punched down, by hand, twice daily until pressing off to barrel. The wines finished malolactic fermentation in barrel. The wine components were blended after one year then aged another six months in barrel. The Alibi was lightly filtered prior to bottling. This wine spent six months aging in bottle prior to release.

Barrel Coopers

Quintessence, Taransaud, Radoux,

Barrel Aging

22 months on 84%
new French oak

Alcohol / Production

14.6% / 600 cases