

JONATA

BALLARD CANYON, SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

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2022 EL DESAFIO DE JONATA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

“The Defiance”

WINEMAKER NOTES

Dried strawberry, fig, clove, and cassis. Dramatic and sensual nose. Poignant and beautifully chiseled cabernet. So, inviting. Intensely fruit-laden and ultra-concentrated. Layered and multi-dimensional structure. Broad and tall. Statuesque finish with a high quantity of ultra-fine, quality tannins. Classic Desafio notes of mint, dark chocolate, and lavender. Core of Luxardo cherry. Herbal and cooling. A loud and proud voice, but also still relatively calm and elegant, with stunning balance between fruit, freshness, and tannin. This will be a wine that brings pleasure for decades to come, but I love it today for its exuberance and indefatigable charm.

- Winemaker, Matt Dees



TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Cases: 696

Blend: 97% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Merlot

Alcohol: 14.7%

Appellation: Ballard Canyon, Santa Ynez Valley

Barrel Regime: 20 months in 75% new French oak, 25% twice used French oak, 225L

ACCOLADES

97 POINTS *July 2024*

Antonio Galloni

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96 POINTS *August 2024*

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