

# Eco Terreno Cabernet Franc

## THE FACTS

**COUNTRY:** USA - CA

**REGION:** Sonoma County

**APPELLATION:** Alexander Valley

**CEPAGE:** 75% Cabernet Franc, 18% Petit Verdot, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Merlot

**WINEMAKING:** The 2022 growing season started out with a normal bud break, and survived most of the season with no extreme waves of hot or cold weather. That was until Labor Day weekend, which brought temperatures exceeding 108 degrees Fahrenheit. Luckily, our large canopies and sprinklers saved our grapes from raisining or loss of color. The heat wave did accelerate ripening, which led to an earlier-than-usual harvest the 3rd week of September. Our inaugural release of our 2022 Alexander Valley Cabernet Franc is a triumph of skillful blending and care in the vineyard

**AGING:** 47% new American oak, 53% Neutral oak

**ANNUAL PRODUCTION:** 200 cases

## THE STORY

With focused care and a joy of farming, Eco Terreno Wines represents the intrinsic flavors of Sonoma County's renown Alexander Valley and the benefits of Demeter USA certified biodynamic, estate grown grapes. In 1980, owner/winemaker Mark Lyon purchased a 149-acre vineyard located at the northern end of Alexander Valley, near the town of Cloverdale and upper watershed of the Russian River. Originally planted in 1973 by Rodney Strong, now named Lyon Vineyard, this site has a long history of producing exceptional Bordeaux varietals and has some of the oldest producing Sauvignon Blanc and Cabernet Sauvignon vines in Sonoma County. Founded in 2012, Eco Terreno Wines is an authentic reflection of place, its name translates in Spanish means "land ecology" and "of the land" in Italian.

## THE ADJECTIVES

**AROMAS / FLAVORS:** Fennel & Licorice

**MOUTHFEEL:** Blend of red plum and deep black fruit, ending with vanilla

## THE SELLING POINTS

**AWARDS:** Best of Class -Los Angeles Invitational

**SUSTAINABILITY:** Certified Biodynamic, Certified Organic, Vegan, Biodynamic In Practice, Green Practicing, Sustainable In Practice, Minimal Intervention / Augmentation

