

2021 Hideaway Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon

Winemaker Phillip Corallo-Titus



Wine Statistics

Harvested Sep. 15 – 24, 2021 25.5 – 27.5° Brix at Harvest 14.7% Alcohol TA – 0.57g/100ml pH – 3.74 Bottled – July 2023

Wine Blend

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

The Wine

An explorer at heart, in 1967 Donn Chappellet set out to find the stone markers that define the boundaries of Pritchard Hill using an 1882 surveyor map. Today, this historic map graces our Mountain Estates label, symbolizing the love of discovery that guides us as we follow in Donn's footsteps, exploring iconic expressions of mountain-grown Cabernet Sauvignon. Made from 100% Cabernet Sauvignon aged in 90% new French oak barrels, this epic wine comes from the rocky slopes of our estate's secluded Hideaway Vineyard located at an elevation of 1,425 feet, high on the slopes of majestic Pritchard Hill.

Growing Season & Harvest

The 2021 growing season began with one of the driest winters on record, followed by a mild spring and summer with no adverse heat events. Due to the lack of precipitation, canopy growth was limited and the vines produced very small berries and clusters. To ensure ideal ripening and flavor development we closely monitored vine water stress and applied a highly targeted irrigation strategy. While the drought yielded a small crop, the long, temperate growing season combined with ideal harvest weather produced dark and powerful wines with concentrated aromas and flavors, excellent structure and lush, mouthcoating tannins.

Tasting Notes

Complex, concentrated and remarkably age-worthy, this wine offers dynamic Cabernet Sauvignon aromas of wild blackberry, black raspberry, clove, cedar and sage, with notes of briary spice, graphite and toasted oak. On the palate, fine-grained mountain tannins frame luxurious flavors of cassis, blackberry, wild herbs, roast coffee and white pepper, with fascinating notes volcanic minerality derived from the famed soils of Pritchard Hill emerging on the long, captivating finish.