

NAPA VALLEY

2021

PATEL

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VINTAGE: 2021

VARIETAL: 60% Merlot, 36% Cabernet Sauvignon, 4% Malbec

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

AGING: 22 months in 100% new

French oak

PRODUCTION: 200 cases

NOTES:

Opaque ruby color. Lifted aromas of black cherry, cedar, and crushed cocoa nibs. Energetic with impressive lift on entry, waves of juicy ripe fruits flood the palate, revealing black plum, cherry, and raspberry. All this is framed by a plethora of soft, silken, plump tannins supported by a firm backbone of mouthwatering acidity. The finish lasts for minutes on end, revealing layers of minerality, savory crushed herbs, and elegant dried red florals.

ALC 14.9% BY VOL

VINIFICATION:

The grapes for our red wines arrive in small picking lugs from the vineyards. The clusters are hand sorted, de-stemmed, and hand sorted again, berry-by-berry. After a two-day cold soak, primary fermentation begins in small, open-top stainless-steel tanks, followed by extended maceration. The fruit is then gently pressed, and the wine is moved to barrels for secondary fermentation. Our reds are then aged for 22 months in 100% new French artisan oak barrels with minimal racking. Multiple blending trials determine the final blend. Our reds are bottled unfined and unfiltered.