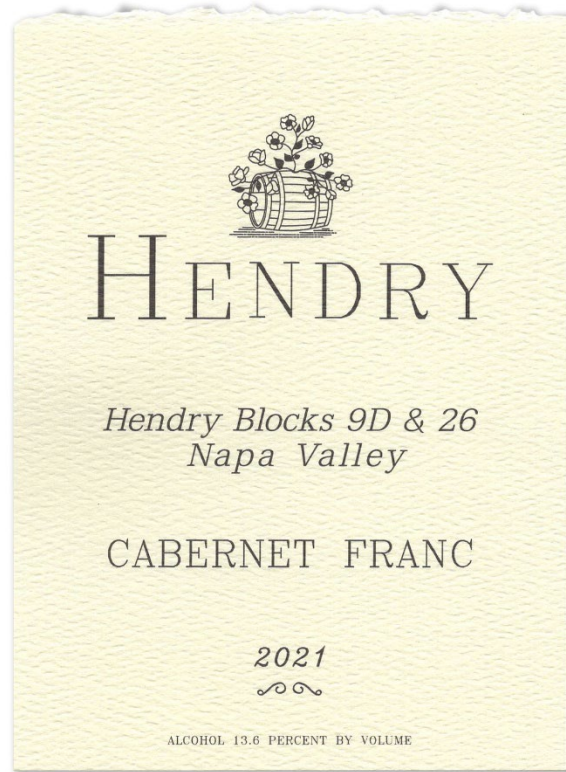


HENDRY 2021 CABERNET FRANC NAPA VALLEY



Another remarkable vineyard in Napa Valley that made this week's report is the Hendry Estate, which borders the city of Napa on the northwest and is essentially wedged between the Carneros and Oak Knoll AVAs. The family seems to be able to succeed with every popular grape variety.

Made from two blocks grafted to St. George rootstock that is aged for 15 months in 40% new French oak. Layers of black cherry, plum, tobacco leaf and spice on the nose. The palate is full-bodied with a silky finesse, finely integrated tannins and bright acidity, complimented with a long, lingering finish of blackcurrants, leather and dried herbs. Drinkable now, but will benefit from time in bottle.

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