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HENDRY VINEYARD NAPA VALLEY 2021 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

VINEYARD Hendry's Cabernet Sauvignon vines grow on thin, stony soil between 150 and 300 feet above sea level, on benchlands just west of the town of Napa. Morning fog and strong afternoon breezes from San Pablo Bay moderate our vineyard's climate.

BLOCKS Grapes for our 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon were sourced from Block 8D and 8E, with a small addition of Block 8B. Blocks 8D and 8E were planted in 1974 with FPMS Clone 7, and Block 8B was replanted with FPMS Clone 7 in 2006. All of the blocks are on St. George rootstock. The dry, alluvial and volcanic soil in these blocks means that they are slow-maturing and low-yielding, giving us concentrated, complex fruit.

VINTAGE In 2021, budbreak in these blocks was April 7th. Bloom was May 22nd. Harvest took place from September 11th through the 29th. The average bloom-to-harvest period was 125 days. Average yield throughout Block 8 was 1.63 tons per acre.

WINEMAKING After a warm fermentation and extended maceration, the wine was aged 23 months in approximately 90% new barrels. French oak cooperage was primarily Taransaud and Berger barrels, with a few Demptos and Sylvain. 100% Cabernet Sauvignon. Unfined.

NOTES Deep ruby. Surprisingly forward black cherry and cherry cola join warm spice, savory olive and soy among the initial aromas. Medium-to-full-bodied, with an increasingly chunky mouthfeel as the young tannins loosen their grip with air. Pleasantly fresh as it opens, with layers of fresh-cut herbs and blueberries adding to the mix. The wine finishes with fine, firm tannins and flavors of bay leaf and black tea. A lively, intriguing wine, fun to return to in the glass. Pair with grilled or roasted flank, skirt or strip steak, especially with a fresh herb preparation like chimichurri or a board dressing. Or a keep the main simple and add rich, herb-laden sides like spanakopita, pesto, or crispy, smashed roast potatoes with fresh-cut parsley and basil.

Alcohol: 14.7%

Cases produced: 600

(Available in 750s, half bottles and magnums)

TA: 7.10

VA: 1.12