

NAPA VALLEY

Raymond

1 ½ ACRE

NAPA VALLEY RED WINE 2021



TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Napa Valley

Varietal: 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Malbec and 6% Cabernet Franc

Alcohol: 13.5%

pH: 3.81

TA: 6.9 g/L

Aging: 19 months in 100% French Oak, 29% new French oak

Production: 70 cases

Vegan Friendly

IN THE VINEYARD

2021 was our sixth harvest of our meter by meter planting at Raymond Vineyards. Our estate is planted to all five varietals of a classic Bordeaux blend and designed to be the truest expression of terroir from our certified organic and Biodynamic® vineyard. Harvested on October 16, a flower day in accordance with the Biodynamic calendar, the grapes were in their optimal state for the wine to realize its full potential.

ABOUT THE VINTAGE

2021 was a smooth and uneventful harvest season. June started out warm, followed by a cool and foggy July and August that slowed ripening and caused nice retention of acidity. Even ripening, with no extreme heat events, made for ideal growing conditions. Sparse winter rains resulted in an early budbreak, evenly developed clusters, and smaller berries packed full of flavor. Overall, the fruit was exceptional, making it another amazing year for quality.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

This vintage contains 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Malbec and 6% Cabernet Franc. The organic grapes were co-fermented together and underwent an extended maceration for 38 days before aging in 29% new French oak barrels for 19 months.

WINE PROFILE

The grapes in this blend were grown Biodynamically and organically to create a truly harmonious expression of our estate. The 1 ½ Acre unfurls with exuberant aromas of luscious blackberry and vibrant blueberry, elegantly elevated by a subtle note of toasted oak. Upon the palate, this wine reveals its profound character, exuding a harmonious equilibrium of densely woven, finely integrated tannins, and an opulent tapestry of flavors, including succulent boysenberry, delicate tea leaves, and a whisper of allspice. The culmination is a luxuriously protracted finish that lingers with an enchanting allure.