



BRYANT

2022

VINTAGE WINEMAKER NOTES

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GROWING SEASON

The 2022 growing season brought 20 inches of rain, with bud break, bloom, and veraison following their traditional timing. The crop was well-balanced and uniform. Harvest commenced on September 5th, right before an early September wave of heat, with picking extending steadily until September 27th. Diligent grape sorting and gentle cap management were important in extracting elegant tannin for this plush and finessed wine.

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BRYANT FAMILY VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The 2022 Bryant Family Vineyard marks our thirtieth vintage presentation, a true flagship wine. Founded by Don Bryant in 1986, this special vineyard on Pritchard Hill has been patiently evolving for nearly four decades. At just 545 cases, this 100% Cabernet Sauvignon from the rocky hillside 13-acre property is organically and biodynamically grown. Aged for 22 months in 75% new and 25% neutral French oak, the wine exudes fresh red fruits, graphite, and silky, yet structured, tannins.

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DB4 RED BLEND

The 2022 DB4 is the classic entry point to the Bryant lineup. Thoughtfully crafted after blending the Bryant Family Vineyard and BETTINA wines, the DB4 is approachable, fresh, and vibrant. The 2022 blend consists of 76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Cabernet Franc, and 15% Petit Verdot. To enhance freshness in a warmer harvest, stems were incorporated into the Cabernet Franc ferment. The wine was aged for 22 months in 85% new and 15% neutral French oak, producing a cuvee with bright red and blue fruits, herbal notes and integrated tannin. 528 cases were bottled.

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BETTINA PROPRIETARY RED BLEND

The 2022 BETTINA lands at 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Cabernet Franc, 10% Merlot and 12% Petit Verdot, containing relatively more Franc than previous vintages. With fruit hailing from St. Helena and Howell Mountain (with a touch from Bryant Family Vineyard, about 5%), the grapes are co-fermented together in tank to build complexity from an early stage. Stem inclusion on Cabernet Franc has become an often utilized maneuver to the fermentation to add some floral characteristics and leafy tannins to the mix. Aged in 60% new, 40% used French oak for 22 months, and held in bottle for an additional 12 months, the BETTINA has arrived. The nose pops effusively with red fruits and alpine botanicals. On the palate, the tannins are integrated, seamless, and plush. There is a whipped-like density to the wine with a long finish. It can be enjoyed now, but it also has longevity for laying down for another 15 years. 370 cases produced.

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