



**2021
CABERNET SAUVIGNON
NAPA VALLEY**

PV365's 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon is created from two iconic and coveted mountain vineyards: Stagecoach Vineyard® and Greeg Mountain Ranch. Each of these great sites is coveted for growing dense, complex fruit, with ample and structured tannins. The vineyards are perched at elevations spanning from 900 and 1700 feet, high up overlooking the Valley from the impossibly steep slopes of Hennessey Ridge. The terrain is wild, rugged, and breathtaking. Encountering local fauna like mountain lions, bears, and wild boar isn't uncommon. Here one must nearly climb vertically to appreciate the challenges of farming these sites. We source our Cabernet Sauvignon from a small, steep block near the top of the site. This section is extremely lower yielding than most of the vineyard. Slower ripening is typical in this area, resulting in haunting, dense, black fruit characters supported by sturdy mountain tannins—the perfect ingredients for bold and powerful Cabernet Sauvignon.

GROWING SEASON

Patrick has a lot of enthusiasm for the 2021 growing season in the Valley, and he doesn't hesitate to describe the year as another impressive vintage for California. "The warm, dry winter and spring brought on low yields of fruit, with smaller berries and clusters" on the vines, he says of '21. As a result, he adds, the vintage "showed excellent quality, with concentrated and intense flavors" in the finished wines.

WINEMAKING

The '21 CS fruit was hand harvested from extremely low-yielding sections on mountain terroir. After harvest, the grapes got a three-day cold soak, then commenced on a 12-day primary fermentation. Another 14 days of extended maceration took place before the wine went to barrel to undergo malolactic fermentation. The new wine was then transferred to barrels for malolactic fermentation. The wines continue to barrel age separately by lot in barrel for over 22 months in French oak barrels, before finally blending together for bottling. Once in bottle, the continues to mature for over another year, until its release from our cellar.

TASTING NOTES

Grapes grown in the best mountain terroirs throughout the Valley never fail to deliver wines of great power and complexity. The joyful growing conditions in 2021 provided PV365 with a colorful canvas to produce an aromatic, bold and intense Cabernet Sauvignon. In the glass, the wine starts out with aromas of cassis, wild berries, vanilla bean with layers of milk chocolate, finishing with caramel a hint of graphite. The palate is a rich, complex mouthfeel full of black berries, cherries, figs, mocha and butterscotch.

The '21 Cabernet Sauvignon textural characteristics offer a wine built for cellar-aging, but good luck trying to wait! It's one of the most alluring wines we've made: complex in character, with lustrous tannins, intensely entwined flavors, ample structure and a noble focus. This powerful, bold, and intense Cabernet awakens the senses with equally graceful aromatics, a rich texture and lingering flavors.

SPECIFICS

WINE: 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARD: Stagecoach Vineyard® and Greeg Mountain Ranch

AVA: Napa Valley

HARVESTED: 9/18/21—10/15/21

BRIX @ HARVEST: 26.5°–26.7°

AGING: 22 months in new and used French oak barrels (60% new)

BLEND: 95.75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec, 0.25% Cabernet Franc

PH: 3.76

TA: 5.9 g/L

ALC: 14.5%

AROMAS: Cassis, wild berries, graphite, vanilla bean, milk chocolate and caramel

FLAVORS: Blackberries, dark cherries, figs, mocha and butterscotch

PROFILE: Full bodied with a beautiful texture, luscious mouthfeel and lingering length