



2021
 JOSEPHINE RED WINE
Napa Valley

WINEMAKER- *Kristy Melton*

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Our founder, Josephine, was a woman of grace, elegance and tenacity. We've crafted this wine with her traits in mind, from grapes grown on the very soil where she first planted her vineyard. The aromas are elegant, evoking notes of blueberry, black cherry and pomegranate. It is complemented by notes of fresh cedar, cocoa powder and soft vanilla. The palate is bright and juicy with elements of plum, elderberry and oak spice. This is a truly elegant wine that is divine on its own or would pair well with both lighter and richer dishes.

GROWING SEASON NOTES

Vintage 2021 is a story of small but mighty. Drought conditions were prevalent in winter and spring. Temperatures were moderate during spring but began to warm significantly during summer. Flowering led to lighter than usual fruit set with low vine vigor. Warm conditions during ripening led to beautiful fruit flavors and intense color. Harvest started in mid-August with Sauvignon Blanc and carried on at a steady pace through September and October with red varieties. While low in volume, the wines are aromatic, lively and well structured and we can't wait to share them with you.

WINE STATISTICS

COMPOSITION	63% Cabernet Sauvignon; 19% Malbec, 13% Merlot; 5% Cabernet Franc
HARVEST DATES	Harvest started on 8/27 and ended on 9/7/2021 for all components.
BARREL AGING	25 months in French oak, 54% new
ALCOHOL	14.4%
PH	3.68
BOTTLING DATE	January 24, 2024

VINEYARD	Freemark Abbey	Ahern	Van Z
APPELLATION	St. Helena	St. Helena	St. Helena
ELEVATION	285'	310'	225'
SOIL	Perkins Loam	Perkins Loam & Hambright- Rock Complex	Bale Clay Loam
VARIETY	Merlot, Malbec & Cab Franc	Cabernet Sauvignon	Cabernet Sauvignon
% CONTRIBUTION	37%	32%	31%