# LABRY CABERNET SAUVIGNON RUTHERFORD, NAPA VALLEY 2021

# VINTAGE NOTES

The weather was excellent in 2021 with mild temperatures at the end of the growing season. Marked by the second season of drought, the dry conditions brought slightly lower yields. The smaller, more concentrated berries will translate into an exceptionally ageworthy vintage.

## SOURCE

Labry Estate, Rutherford

## VINEYARD

All grapes are harvested from the Labry Estate property which lies on the southwest end of the Rutherford AVA just north of the Oakville AVA in the shadows of Mount St. John the tallest mountain in the Mayacamas Mountain Range. Our soils are made up of alluvial fan pushed down from the nearby mountains, as well as volcanic rock and ash dating back millions of years when the valley was laced with active volcanoes. The vines are now 30 years old and were planted by David Abreu and our vineyard row spacing is 6x5 feet.

# WINEMAKING

Gently basket pressed in a JLB press, F10 yeast, native malolactic fermentation and 28 days on skins in a stainless steel fermenter. Pump overs done with sprinklers and then inert racked three times during elevage. Gravity flow and inert gasses are utilized in the winery as to not disturb or violently interact with the wine. Aged 22 months before it's bottled unfined and unfiltered then laid to rest in bottle.

# TASTING NOTES

Richly saturated in color, the 2021 Labry Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon opens with expressive aromas of cherry pie filling, raspberries and garden iris. The palate is quick to bloom with braised meat, herb de Provence, bittersweet chocolate and ripe black plums. True to its Rutherford appellation, the tannins are both firm and dusty. Medium to full in body with exceptional polish and richness. Underlaying palate notes of lavender, cedar and tobacco add layers that carry all the way through a seemingly endless finish. Thoroughly enjoyable upon release, this small production Cabernet will age gracefully for decades to come.

### VARIETAL

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

## SOIL TYPE

Alluvial and Volcanic

## CLONE

Cabernet Sauvignon #7

## ABV

14.8%

### AGING

Aged 22 months in 75% new, 25% once used thin stave, tight grain French oak barrels

### COOPERAGE

Taransaud Center of France- Medium Plus Toast Ermitage Tronçais Forest- Medium Plus Toast Baron Center of France- Premium Medium Plus Toast Demptos Reserve Center of France- Medium Plus Toast

## PRODUCTION SIZE

370 Cases

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