



2021 BEATTY RANCH

Cabernet Sauvignon, Howell Mountain, Napa Valley



VINEYARD DESCRIPTION

Located atop Howell Mountain, Beatty Ranch typically gets to enjoy the warmth of the sun when summer fog lines the valley floor. While the fruit ripens easily, we must wait for mature tannins to emerge. The red, rocky soils are ideal for producing moderate-sized vines, and this vineyard is comprised of four different clones that each provide a unique flavor profile to the overall wine.

HARVEST NOTES

With very little winter rain, the 2021 growing season began under drought conditions. An equally dry spring punctuated with the windiest May in recent years brought us early budbreak and bloom. The summer months were mild with few heat spikes, allowing the vines to slowly ripen and yield small but intensely flavored grapes. An outstanding growing season for the vineyards, the closer we got to harvest, we continued to see excellent quality all around with the intensity of flavor observed in the vineyard continuing in the winery.

SENSORY EVALUATION

Rugged yet refined, the 2021 Beatty Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon leads with a classic mixed berry and dried herb perfume. Voluminous blackberry and raspberry flavors are framed by firm mountain tannins and vibrant acidity. A savory dustiness provides a subtle contrast to the deep, juicy fruit, while whispers of bay leaf linger on a generous finish.

APPELLATION

Howell Mountain, Napa Valley

VARIETAL

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING

French oak barrels
(55% new, 45% once-used)

RELEASE DATE

Fall 2023

HARVEST DATES

October 15, 2021

SKIN CONTACT

20 days

TIME

18 months

FIRST VINTAGE

2012