



THE NAPA VALLEY WINE ESTATE
ESTABLISHED 1885



2021 FAR NIENTE

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD NOTES

The wine combines select vineyards in Rutherford, Calistoga and St. Helena that complement our home in Oakville and embody our long-established house style. Cabernet has been a hallmark of Far Niente's winemaking program beginning with its very first vintage in 1982. The marriage of these diverse vineyard sites has allowed us to craft our finest expression of Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon. This wine exemplifies our nearly four decades of mastery in growing and making Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon.

HARVEST NOTES

With very little winter rain, the 2021 growing season began under drought conditions for the second year in a row. 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. We began Cabernet harvest at our earliest sites in Calistoga in mid-September; the continued moderate temperatures into the fall allowed us to slowly and steadily bring in the rest over a four-week period, with our last picks coming from Oakville and Oak Knoll. The intensity of flavor observed in the vineyard continued in the winery; the Cabernet Sauvignon wines produced are concentrated and rich with dark color and mouth-coating tannins.

TASTING NOTES

Beautiful aromas of dark plum, red cherry, licorice and warm baking spices open onto a plush and silky palate layered with plum, spiced cherry and cassis. A classic Napa Valley Cabernet, fine-grained tannins and lively acidity support the wine throughout, while the finish is refined and polished.

Appellation
Napa Valley

Harvest Dates
September 15 -
October 19, 2021

Varietals
88% Cabernet Sauvignon
6.5% Merlot
2.5% Malbec
2.5% Petit Verdot
.5% Cabernet Franc

Skin Contact
12 days, average

Aging
17 months in French oak
(62% new, 38% once-used)

Release Date
Fall 2023

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