



2021 NAPA VALLEY CABERNET FRANC

Dark ruby in color, this fully ripe Cabernet Franc steers away from green character and delivers aromas of ripe blueberry and a bouquet of roses. The youthful body is full with flavorful mid-palate grip and beautifully balanced natural acidity that resolves with very soft tannins in a lingering finish. Enjoy this wine now with the meal of your choice and rest assured bottle-aging for 10+ years will provide extended enjoyment.

Since the inception of Robert Foley Vineyards, we have experienced relentless urging by friends familiar with Bob's past successes with the Cabernet Franc variety to resume making this wine. He attributes those past triumphs to the combination of early experience with Cab Franc in the early 1980s, coaching and encouragement by André Tchelistcheff and the chance to work with high elevation vineyards where exposure plays key elements in flavor development.

As consumer and culinary interest in this variety has been increasing, our friends have become more insistent. As good fortune has it, we began working with a high-elevation vineyard east of Atlas Peak where plantings of Cabernet Franc benefit from warmth and exposure allowing for even and complete ripening. This 2021 vintage is our first Franc bottling under our label. Normally we like to bottle-age our red wines for several years before release, but in this case we are offering our 2021 Cabernet Franc at a younger stage.

SPECIFICATIONS

Wine: 2021 Cabernet Franc Appellation: Napa Valley

Vineyards: Valley Floor and Mountain AVAs

Variety: Cabernet Franc with a splash of Cab Sauv and Merlot

Harvest: Hand-picked September 2021

Vinification: 7-day fermentation in stainless; aged in French Oak barrels

Alcohol: 14.5% Bottled: May 2023 Production: 370 cases Winemaker: Bob Foley Retail price: \$125