



2021 ABREU Madrona Ranch

ST HELENA, CA

Nicknamed the “Home Ranch”, Madrona is the center of all the vineyard operations. David first planted Madrona Ranch in 1980 to equal parts Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, a rare combination at the time. Merlot was added in 1985 in the upper part of the ranch. In 1986, more Cabernet Sauvignon was planted in what we call the “White Fence.” All the original blocks still produce today. In the 2000’s, additional sections were planted to more Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc as well as a small block of Petit Verdot. It is this vast array of plantings, soils, exposures and elevation changes that makes Madrona Ranch so unique.

In 2021, Madrona Ranch was picked over a three-week period. There were just five fermentations in total due to the very low yields. The clusters were more sparse than usual, with very small berries.

COMPOSITION:	Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, Merlot Sept. 9, 14, 18, 24, 28
PICK DATES:	
BOTTLED:	December 2023
RELEASED DATE:	August 2025
WINEMAKER:	Brad Grimes
PROPRIETOR:	David Abreu

Immediately, the concentration of flavor in the juice and intense color in the fermentations were indications that this was an excellent vintage. Also, many of the vineyard blocks were fermented together in combinations that are rare due to the low yields. This gave each tank a depth and energy that is only seen in the best vintages.

Of the five fermentations, three were selected to form the core of the 2021 Madrona Ranch. The first two small tanks were both Cabernet Sauvignon focused blends from some of the older vines as well as the grapes from the steepest terraces. The last fermentation was a large tank of equal parts Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc from the oldest blocks planted in 1980. To complement this foundation, select barrels of the two other tanks provided additional Cabernet Franc as well as small amounts of Petit Verdot and Merlot. The final blend of 18 barrels is 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Cabernet Franc, 5% Petit Verdot and 2% Merlot.