

BANSHEE

2023 MORDECAI

Mordecai is the wine that we have the broadest set of components to work with and the widest bullseye to shoot for when blending. All of the elements of this wine are made with our house philosophy (think bright flavors, focus, energy, good with food), with the overreaching mandate that it is absolutely delicious. Thus, each year we set out to make a medium plus bodied red that you could put on the table or counter anywhere at anytime and make everybody happy.



2023 was a long vintage but overall was a good vintage. It had an extended growing season with a mild climate that made for a late harvest and required extended hang time to achieve full ripening of the fruit.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

28% Cabernet Sauvignon, 18% Malbec, 16% Syrah, 11% Mourvèdre, 7% Tannat, 6% Carignane, 5% Granache Noir, 5% Zinfandel, 2% Petite Sirah, 2% other red

VINEYARDS

100% Trenton Vineyard, Russian River Valley

WINEMAKING

The grapes for our 2023 Mordecai were harvested based on flavor development and acidity, picking each varietal at optimal ripeness. After a 3-day cold soak, yeast was added to initiate fermenation in stainless steel tanks. The wine was pumped over twice per day throughout fermentation, then moved to 26% new oak barrels for 9 months of aging. The final blend was assembled and bottled in July 2025.

TASTING

Our 2023 Mordecai offers abundant ripe blackberry and plum aromas with a touch of vanilla, baking spice, and floral notes. The palate is medium-bodied, adding black cherry, herbal sage, berry medley, leather, and a hint of caramel spice to the satisfying finish.

AGING 9 months in French oak, 26% new

ALCOHOL 14.3% pH 3.7 TA 5.9 g/L