

CHATEAU ST JEAN

2021 EIGHTY-FIVE-FIFTY-FIVE

RESERVE CUVÉE

SONOMA COUNTY

Our roots are in Sonoma County. We have made wines from the region's diverse vineyards for over 50 years, starting in 1973. A fine wine estate with European style, we are proud to produce balanced and elegant wines, a hallmark of Chateau St. Jean. Our single-vineyard and blend expressions celebrate Sonoma County's distinctive, world-class growing region, and the special vineyard sites in which our grapes are grown.

VINEYARDS

First offered in 1999, this red blend is a tribute to our Sonoma Valley home, and the label is actually our address on the Sonoma Highway. Our long history in Sonoma County is reflected here, with each vintage allowing for a blend which is both a tribute to the vintage and the varied growing regions within Sonoma County. Exceptional Reserve lots that showcase the terroir of each region are carefully selected, aged separately and then assembled into a master blend allowed to rest and gain complexity prior to bottling.

VINTAGE

2021 was a perfect ripening vintage in Sonoma County. With mild winter and spring temperatures, budbreak was ahead of average. Summer was warm and dry, with above average temperatures in August and September, leading to an early and fast ripening harvest. The warm weather resulted in ripe fruit flavors and one of the earliest starts of harvest in recent history.

WINEMAKING

This Bordeaux-based cuvée is comprised of Cabernet Sauvignon (61%), Merlot (29%), Malbec (6%), and Petit Verdot (4%). This blend is a true representation of the artistry of winemaking, deeply layered and intentional, having undergone weekly bâtonnage for 24 months in French oak barrels prior to bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Each offering of this unique reserve blend shows a distinct personality, influenced by the selection of varietals, growing region and vintage. The 2021 delivers concentrated aromas and flavors of black cherry, fresh blackberry, layers of vanilla, and hints of allspice. The rich texture and decadent flavor profile linger on the palate long after the last sip.

2021

APPELLATION	Sonoma County
VARIETAL	61% Cabernet Sauvignon, 29% Merlot, 6% Malbec, 4% Petit Verdot
OAK	100% French oak, 70% new
AGING	24 months
ALCOHOL	14.9%
T.A.	6.5 g/L
pH	3.7