



# PARALLEL NAPA VALLEY

## 2021 NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### PHILIPPE MELKA WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES



"THE 2021 VINTAGE WAS A CLASSIC GROWING SEASON WITH A BIT LIGHTER CROP THAN USUAL, WHICH BROUGHT GREAT CONCENTRATION TO THE WINES. THIS WINE IS DARK IN COLOR AND HAS A SUPER EXPRESSIVE NOSE OF SPICES LIKE CARDAMON, WILD SAGE AND ALLSPICE. ON THE PALATE, IT IS MEDIUM-BODIED WITH GREAT TEXTURE, WELL-ROUNDED TANNINS AND A HINT OF SWEETNESS FROM THE FRENCH OAK. LAYERS OF RIPE PLUMS, BLACK CHERRY, CASSIS AND DARK CHOCOLATE COME TO MIND. THE WINE HAS A GREAT, LONG FINISH CARRIED BY THE ACIDITY AND FRUIT CONCENTRATION. IT IS ALREADY VERY ENJOYABLE AND WILL EVOLVE BEAUTIFULLY OVER THE NEXT 10+ YEARS."

Varietal:  
100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Aging:  
19 months in 100% French Oak  
60% New French Oak

AVA:  
Napa Valley  
(Oakville & Rutherford)

Bottling Date: June 1, 2023

Harvest Date:  
September 23 & October 2, 2021

Alcohol: 15.4%

Brix: 24.9

Production: 343 cases

Fermentation:  
Stainless Steel  
3 Days Cold Soak  
23 Days On Skins

pH: 3.88