



2021 QUICKSILVER VINEYARD

Cabernet Sauvignon, Rutherford, Napa Valley



VINEYARD DESCRIPTION

The Quicksilver Vineyard lies on the western Rutherford bench, in the acclaimed area on Bella Oaks Lane. The soils are predominantly well drained loams that produce vines of moderate size. These older vines were planted to the California sprawl system, with wider spacing and a divided canopy, giving great exposure to the fruit. Minimal irrigation is needed to obtain maximum fruit potential.

HARVEST NOTES

With very little winter rain, the 2021 growing season began under drought conditions. An equally dry spring punctuated with the windiest May in recent years brought us early budbreak and bloom. The summer months were mild with few heat spikes, allowing the vines to slowly ripen and yield small but intensely flavored grapes. An outstanding growing season for the vineyards, the closer we got to harvest, we continued to see excellent quality all around with the intensity of flavor observed in the vineyard continuing in the winery

SENSORY EVALUATION

Graceful aromas of mixed red berry, violet, and green tea envelop the senses before opening onto the most round, inviting palate. Lush raspberry flavors are lifted by vibrant acidity and restrained, refined oak. Tannins are supple, allowing ripe berry flavors along with soft floral and dust accents to shine all the way through to the lingering finish.

APPELLATION

Rutherford, Napa Valley

VARIETAL

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

AGING

French oak barrels
(55% new, 45% once-used)

RELEASE DATE

Fall 2023

HARVEST DATES

September 27 – October 8, 2021

SKIN CONTACT

21 days

TIME

16 months

FIRST VINTAGE

2012