ACUMEN
Napa Valley

2021
PEAK
CABERNET SAUVIGNON
EDCORA VINEYARD, NAPA VALLEY
ESTATE GROWN

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

365 cases produced

With every vintage of our PEAK wines, our goal is to craft consummate expressions of our estate vineyards on the high-mountain slopes of Napa Valley's acclaimed Atlas Peak. To preserve the complexity of our vineyards, and ensure that we have numerous lots to choose from during blending, we individually ferment each block and varietal. Then after extensive sensory analysis, we select our very finest blocks and barrels of wine to craft our PEAK Edcora Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon.

EDCORA VINEYARD

Located a half mile away from our Attelas Vineyard, and approximately 350 feet higher up the mountain, Edcora (which neighbors the famed Stagecoach Vineyard) features shallow, iron-rich volcanic soils atop a hard layer of volcanic andesite. This unique soil makeup provides excellent drainage, while concentrating the energy of the vines on ripening the fruit. Together, these factors produce the small berries and thick skins that are treasured by mountain winemakers. Edcora is planted to 78 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon spread over 20 individual blocks, along with Petit Verdot and Cabernet Franc. With a southwest-facing exposure, and a high-elevation climate, Edcora enjoys a long growing season that ensures ideal ripeness, depth, complexity and phenolic concentration.

2021 VINTAGE

While another year of drought conditions on Atlas Peak produced small clusters and berries—thereby lowering yields somewhat—the quality of the vintage was exceptional, resulting in beautifully concentrated mountain wines, with pure, polished flavors and lovely underlying complexity. Overall, the growing season was relatively mild and completely free of drama. After modest rains in January and February, there was no notable precipitation for the rest of the season and no major heat spikes. As a result, flower, bloom and set were all excellent, and the grapes were able to ripen slowly and evenly, developing wonderful depth and character.

NOTES FROM OUR WINEMAKER

Showcasing the concentration and complexity of Edcora Vineyard, this wine offers remarkable depth and richness, with powerful aromas of wild berry, cassis, mountain sage, roasted coffee, graphite, smoke and sweet oak. On the beautifully structured palate, rich tannins and and a natural underlying density provide a sense of balance and cohesiveness to luxurious layers of dark berries and wild herbs, with notions of oak spice and adding sweetness and freshness to the dark fruit and volcanic minerality.

WINE FACTS

HARVEST DATES: September 14 to September 28, 2021
VINEYARD BLOCKS: EV5, EV14
CLONES Clone 15 and 169
% new French oak: 75%
BOTTLING DATE: June 2023
ALCOHOL: 14.5%
WINEMAKER: Phillip Titus

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