

2021 The Climber Napa Valley Red Wine

Vineyard

The grapes for the 2021 Climber come from our new, CCOF-certified Valle Di Sotto Vineyard in the heart of the Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley. The Oak Knoll District is located at the southern end of the Valley where cooling marine influences create a unique micro-climate that helps the grapes maintain bright fruit flavors and retain acidity.

Winemaking

Hand-harvested in the cool morning hours, the fruit is sorted before processing. After a brief cold soak, the juice is inoculated with cultured yeast. During fermentation, temperature and extraction are carefully managed. The wine is then pressed off the skins and placed in French oak barrels for aging.

Tasting Notes

Cabernet aromas of blackberry, blueberry, cedar, and clove fill the glass. The wine has beautiful color with a bright red hue and purple density in the center. There is a gorgeous freshness from the acidity up front, followed by medium-weight tannins in the middle. Merlot fruit flavors carry this wine to a long finish, filled with great tannin and fruit balance.

Wine Information

Appellation: Napa Valley **Vineyard:** Valle di Sotto

Composition: 68% Cabernet Sauvignon, 32% Merlot

Sustainability: 100% CCOF-certified organically grown grapes

Oak Program: 16 months in 35% new French Oak

Alcohol: 14.9%

Harvest Date: September 7th through October 1st, 2021

Release Date: November 2022

Drink By: Drink now through 2028

Cases: 788

