

# VDR

*Very Dark Red*

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## 2021 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

*Bold and assertive, VDR is crafted for the effortlessly cool individual whose enigmatic persona and unspoken confidence turns heads whenever they enter a room.*

### TASTING NOTES

The name says it all. Very Dark Red Cabernet Sauvignon is inky, smooth and seductive—a deeply colored and intensely aromatic example of the varietal. Deep and velvety, this wine unveils primal dark fruit flavors of ripe plum and dark cherries which unfolds into layers of rich mocha and a luscious finish of toasted oak. The 2021 vintage is a rich, full-bodied wine with velvety tannins that give it a soft but firm structure and lingering flavors with a smooth finish. VDR Cabernet Sauvignon is a bold wine with a lot of concentration and complexity that will be memorable long after it's gone.

### WINEMAKING

When tasked with crafting an intense and aromatic California Cabernet Sauvignon that commands the attention of the palate as much as it does the eye, the VDR winemaking team was up for the challenge. Led by innovative young winemaker Ellie Loustalot, the team has developed exceptional Cabernet Sauvignon vineyard sources in California's Central Coast, and they are excited about the fruit being produced after a few very good vintage seasons. To hearken to the roots of the VDR brand, Cabernet Sauvignon is rounded out with the addition of Petite Sirah and Petit Verdot to create an ideal sugar-to-acid ratio, a voluptuous palate and intensely dark color.

### VINEYARDS

Sourced primarily from vineyards at the southern end of California's Central Coast—in San Lucas, Hames Valley and Paso Robles—VDR Cabernet Sauvignon benefits from an optimal environment for ripening, with cool nights that help the grapes retain low pH and high natural acidity and ample daytime sunlight and heat that enable the grapes to develop thick skins with excellent color and optimal sugar levels at harvest time. This unique combination of factors results in a wine with a remarkable balance of acidity, flavor complexity, and rich, full-bodied characteristics.

**COMPOSITION:** Majority Cabernet Sauvignon, with small amounts of Petite Sirah, Petit Verdot and Merlot

**APPELLATION:** California

**AGING:** French and American Oak (50% new, 12 months)

**ALCOHOL:** 14.5%



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