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2021 Paso Robles Classic Cabernet Franc



The Vintage

The 2021 growing season was highlighted by a cold, dry winter. The majority of rain came in one storm. Colder temperatures arriving later than normal led to smaller clusters with incredible intensity. Although there were reduced yields, the payoff of flavor in the berries was a huge payoff. There was idyllic temperatures just prior to harvest, with cooler temperatures than normal allowing the grapes to take their time to reach full ripeness.

The Vineyard

Plummer Vineyard, located on the East side of Paso Robles where the Cabernet Franc planting was planted with a WSW to ENE row orientation, selected to reduce fruit exposure to direct sunlight during veraison. This unique row orientation has successfully reduced fruit sunburn and allows harvest “hang time” flexibility. Wines made from Plummer Vineyard fruit have consistently shown intense color and good acidity/tannin balance.

The Winemaking Process

Blend:	92% Cabernet Franc, 8% Cabernet Sauvignon	
Harvest:	October 14, 2021	
pH:	3.64	Brix: 26.7
TA:	0.69g/ml	Alcohol: 14.4%
Bottled:	March 30, 2023	
Aged in 20% new French oak.		

Tasting Notes

The medium body of our 2021 Classic Cabernet Franc is filled with aromas of red cherry, lavender, baking spice, and plum. The palate leads with red fruit and cassis and is rounded out with additional plum. The touch of Cabernet Sauvignon, adds another dimension that allows the finish to carry on until your next sip.

