



2022 The Big Blend

PHILOSOPHY

As the name implies, The Big Blend is bold and spirited. We strive to deliver a truly memorable explosion of flavors – a wine that feels energetic and alive. This is the only wine in our portfolio that sees both American and French oak, which each enhance the rich character and complexity of the wine. Always anchored by a backbone of Syrah, The Big Blend is distinctive with each vintage.

VINTAGE NOTES

2022 stands out as one of the most unique vintages in recent Napa Valley history. A long summer of warm days and cool nights came to a crescendo with an impressive five-day heatwave in September. The heat spell eventually gave way to more mild weather through October, allowing the grapes to develop a more refined, elegant character.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Varietal Composition:

48% Syrah
21% Merlot
18% Cabernet Sauvignon
7% Cabernet France
6% Petite Sirah
Appellation: Napa Valley

Alcohol: 15.5% Body: Full

VINIFICATION

Fermentation: Inoculated, fermentations 14 days on skin, 100% malolactic fermentation. **Maturation:** Aged 19 months in French and American oak barrels (90% French, 10% American, 75% new).

TASTING NOTES

Our 2022 The Big Blend – Syrah-based with some Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Petite Sirah – arouses the palate with notes of chocolatey layers and ripe, kirsch-infused cherries. Youthful and energetic, this is a wine with a huge concentration of flavors that are juicy and delicious yet seriously structured.

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