



CROWN POINT

Estate Selection

2021

100% ESTATE GROWN & BOTTLED

60% Cabernet Sauvignon | 30% Cabernet Franc
5% Malbec | 3% Petit Verdot | 2% Merlot

Harvest date:
September 20 –
October 15, 2021

Fortuitously, a dry winter followed by early spring rains created a balanced budbreak and shoot growth. The spring continued to be dry, with slightly above-average temperatures during the summer, ideal for fruit development and ripening. Remarkably, there were no summer days above 100°. As a result, the vines ripened slowly and without heat stress. The extended hang time and consistent cluster ripening contributed to vibrant color and fine-grain tannins, making this vintage particularly memorable.

The 2021 Estate Selection showcases a classic Cabernet Franc profile, with aromas of cassis, cocoa, and delicate floral nuances. The palate is remarkably smooth, delivering full-bodied richness with only a trace of tannins on the finish. Subtle gunpowder accents and a savory, oak-infused finish lend depth and complexity to this elegant wine.

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Based largely on Cabernet Sauvignon (there's 30% Cabernet Franc, 5% Malbec, and small amounts of Petit Verdot and Merlot), the 2021 Estate Selection comes from a mix of the estate vineyards and was brought up in 50% new French oak. Its vivid purple hue is followed by a brilliant nose of crème de cassis, classy oak, graphite, and spring flowers, and it has full-bodied richness on the palate, a pure, seamless mouthfeel, and just about perfect tannins. It's an absolutely stunning Bordeaux blend from this team that I wish every reader could taste. It will evolve for over two decades.

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The 2021 Estate Selection is understated and classy. Silky tannins and lifted aromatics confer notable finesse to this mid-weight, super-refined Cabernet Sauvignon. Red cherry fruit, pomegranate, blood orange, cinnamon, mint and rose petal all grace this nuanced, inviting red. A healthy dollop of Franc lends notable freshness and aromatic breadth. - Antonio Galloni

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