

## 2020 Barrel Blend

Production: 1,200 cases
Composition: 57% Malbec, 20% Merlot, 10% Petit Sirah 7% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Syrah
Vineyards: Windy Flats, Baker, Beau Terroir, Villagio, Clarke, Nelson Estate
Cooperage: Aged 14 months in barrel. 15% new French oak
Alcohol: 15.2%, TA 5.5, pH 3.75
Bottling date: April 12, 2022
Release date: Spring 2023
Release price: \$32.00

The Barrel Blend is put together with the help of Kyle Knox, a great surfer and a wine professional, now with his own distributorship, who loved the idea of "being in the barrel" as both a wine term, and a surfing term. 2020 was a challenging vintage, but with the help of technology and careful analysis, we are proud to present this Barrel Blend. The wine knitted together early, so we expect this wine to come out of the bottle ready to provide entertainment and pleasure for years to come.

## Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes:

Aromas of deep black cherry and boysenberry fruit are underlaid by spicy vanilla flavored oak, along with supporting flavors of raspberry, plum, licorice, and chocolate. The wine has a well-constructed young palate, with fruit crammed into the structure to form an intense ripe boysenberry center.