

2021 Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon

Oakville | Napa Valley



The Wine

Our Oakville Cabernet Sauvignon from the Lincoln Creek Vineyard embodies the unique contrasts within the Napa Valley. Despite its close proximity to our Winery Ranch in Stags Leap District, this wine showcases a remarkably different profile, characterized by a softer tannin structure and a fruit-forward palate. The wine presents a friendly, juicy texture with lush red fruit flavors dominating the front palate. Less new French oak and a lighter toast profile subtly enhance the mid-palate without overshadowing the wine's naturally smooth and graceful structure. This Oakville Cabernet is a delightful mid-week luxury, perfect for elevating any casual meal.

The 2021 Growing Season

The 2021 vintage was a personal milestone for me as it marked a decade of winemaking at my family's winery. A smooth growing season with low precipitation yielded smaller grapes with intensely concentrated flavors and smaller yields per vine. Quality was high across the board and the wines are approachable and complex now, with the concentration and structure to age.

Tasting Notes

Notes of cranberry, black plum, and red cherry give way to a palate rich with wild blackberry, mocha, vanilla, and tobacco notes. The lively acidity and polished tannins frame a core of elegant fruit and delicate oak, creating a balanced and inviting experience.

-Michael Baldacci, Winemaker

Varietal Composition	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation	Oakville, Napa Valley
Vineyard	Lincoln Creek
Harvest Date	October 16, 2021
Cooperage	22 months in 65% new French oak barrels
Bottling Date	August 31, 2023
Alcohol	14.5%
TA	6.3 g/L
pH	3.7
Residual Sugar	0.0 g/L
Production	636 cases (12 x 750ml)
Aromas & Flavors	Cranberry, black plum, red cherry, wild blackberry, cigar box, crushed gravel

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Lincoln Creek Vineyard

Vineyard Statistics

Acres: 70.66 acres

Baldacci Owned: No

Vineyard Name: Lincoln Creek

Appellation: Oakville AVA

Climate: Moderately warm, with temperatures commonly in the mid-90°F range in high summer

Elevation: 130 - 1000 feet

Rainfall: 35 inches annually

Soil: Volcanic with low to moderate fertility and fairly deep, with average water retention

Clone: Ghost Block

Varietals: Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Zinfandel, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc

History: Lincoln Creek is on the east side of Hwy 29 and has been planted to wine grapes for over 100 years.

