

2021 Pops Sparkling Wine

Carneros | Napa Valley



The Wine

This traditional method brut sparkling wine combines estate-grown Chardonnay and Pinot Noir from our Honey B Vineyard in Carneros. The wine aged on the lees for 24 months before disgorgement, lending toasty autolytic notes that will continue to develop with further bottle age.

The 2021 Growing Season

The 2021 vintage in the Carneros region is notable for its low yields, producing intensely flavored, small-sized berries, amidst a smooth and uneventful harvest. These conditions, coupled with the region's renowned cool climate and foggy mornings, contributed to the development of the grapes' complex flavors and crisp acidity, making the 2021 vintage ideal for producing our expressive and elegantly structured Sparkling Wine.

Tasting Notes

Chardonnay contributes elegance, freshness, and delicate floral notes, complemented by the red fruit, structure, and body from Pinot Noir. This brut sparkling wine is crisp, dry, and refreshing, making it ideal for a myriad of food pairings while endlessly enjoyable on its own. Cheers!

-Michael Baldacci, Winemaker

Varietal Composition	58% Chardonnay, 42% Pinot Noir
Appellation	Carneros, Napa Valley
Vineyard	Honey B
Harvest	August 2021
Disgorgement	November 2023
Dosage	2.0 g/L
Alcohol	12.5%
Production	782 cases (12 x 750ml)
Aromas & Flavors	Lemon, green apple, strawberry, white blossoms, Marcona almond, brioche

Los Carneros Honey B Vineyard

Vineyard Statistics

Acres: 23 total acres, 21 vine acres

Baldacci Owned: Yes

Vineyard Name: Honey B Vineyard

Appellation: Los Carneros, Napa Valley

Climate: Cool, with prevailing marine winds from the San Pablo Bay and through the Petaluma Gap to the west.

High temperatures during summer rarely exceed 80°F with less diurnal range.

Elevation: Sea level to 700 feet

Rainfall: Lowest in Napa Valley: up to 24 inches annually.

Soils: Clay dominated, very shallow in general, with more loam and hillside alluvials in the northern section. Yields typically are restrained by the hard clay pan subsoil, which prevents deep-rooting.

Vineyard Blocks: 12

Clones: 15, 17, 26.1, 45, 48, 169, 383, 470, 777, 809, Calera, Pommard, Robert Young, Swan, Wente

Varieties: Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Merlot, Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Gewürztraminer

