

2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Stella Knight Vineyard (Calistoga)

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From: The 2021 Napa Valley Cabernets, Part One (Dec 2023)

The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Stella Knight Vineyard (Calistoga) is laced with dark red cherry, red plum, tobacco, cedar, dried herbs, incense, rose petal and iron. Potent and quite introspective, the 2021 has a ton to offer. I would cellar it for a few years—there's a lot of wine here.

2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Black Label

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The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Black Label, from vineyards in Stags Leap, is a fine example of the Baldacci house style. Blackberry jam, crème de cassis, chocolate, licorice, spice, menthol and sweet French oak are nicely dialed up in this potent, super-expressive Cabernet Sauvignon.

2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Ruppert

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The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Ruppert (Coombsville) offers up sweet red cherry fruit, blood orange, mint, sweet spice and vanillin. It presents an attractive combination of expansive aromatics and mid-weight structure while retaining the ripe style that is such a signature of these wines.

2021 Cabernet Sauvignon (Diamond Mountain District)

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The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon (Diamond Mountain District) is redolent of iron, game, incense, tobacco and wild herbs. The feral, mineral side of Diamond Mountain comes through loud and clear in this potent, sinewy Cabernet Sauvignon. I would give this a year or two to see if it softens a bit.

2021 Proprietary Red Blend

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Baldacci's 2021 Proprietary Red Blend is packed with dark red/blue-toned fruits, leather, incense, tobacco, cedar, menthol and a kiss of sweet French oak. Soft and plush, with lovely forward fruit, the Red Blend is terrific in 2021.