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2021 Tannat

Vintage

2021 was a recovery year in the vineyard. 2020's devastating May 9th frost reduced primary buds, and thus yields, for the following year's growing season. Always a vigorous varietal, Tannat responded well to this decrease in ripening load. The fruit was pure and pristine, with vibrant acidity.

Vineyard

The 2021 Tannat is 100% Estate fruit. Stinson Farms vines are cane pruned and close spaced on Braddock soil - a loamy red clay derived from crystalline rocks that make up the Blue Ridge Mountains to the west. Our Tannat is planted in two different blocks. The riper flavors of the older vines marry well with powerful acidity in the newer fruit.

Winemaker's Notes

Tannat is a rustic varietal, but its chunky tannins belie a structured elegance. Black raspberry, plum and cherry are grounded by notes of earthy forest floor, tobacco and well-integrated oak.

Harvest Date: October 2, 2021

Technical Notes

Varietal Content: 100% Tannat
AVA: Monticello, Estate Grown
Aged 18 months in French oak, 50% new
End pH: 3.7
ABV: 14.1%

Bottled: March 14, 2023

Case Production: 500

Release Date: November 15, 2023

SRP: \$45

