

# 2021 SIGNATURE PLATINUM

## BY CALDWELL, NAPA VALLEY

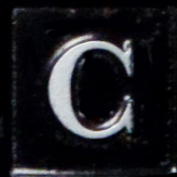
Vintage:	Tenth
Composition:	Winemaker's Secret
Clones:	169 and 214
Appellation:	Coombsville, Napa Valley, CA
Vineyard:	Caldwell Vineyard and Upper Range Vineyard
Block:	Caldwell 20, Upper Range F12
Yield:	3.0 Tons per Acre on Average
Average Vine Age:	15 Years
Grape Varieties:	Winemaker's Secret
Rootstock:	3309 and RG
Harvest Date:	October 11 and 15

**Vintage Summary:** The 2021 vintage was a severe drought year here in Napa Valley. With only 7.3" of rain from January to March, bud break was early, and bloom had higher stress than typical – leading to a smaller crop. Currently, we're drawing comparisons in the cellar to the 2015 vintage, but with much less heat towards the end of the growing season, helping retain freshness and varietal expression and individuality. Overall, a very high-quality vintage (if you had water to irrigate with, which we luckily did), destined to be known for its structure, freshness, and long-term age-ability.

Fermentation:	Stainless Steel
Yeast:	Multiple
ML Bacteria:	Multiple
Wood Origin:	100% French Oak (Jupilles, Bercé)
Aging:	22 Months in Barrel
New Oak Barrels:	80%
Fining:	None
Filtering:	None
Alcohol:	14.9%
Bottled on:	July 17, 2023

**Winemaker's Tasting Notes:** The 2021 Platinum by Caldwell is a truly wild and expressive wine. With a few hours of decanting, the wine blooms with floral aromatics of fennel and dill fond, spicy elevated red fruits, crushed green coriander seed, and a spine of freshly dried sycamore leaf from the small dose of Cabernet Franc from Block 17. More perfumed than cologned, the sweet and spicy fruits are accompanied by accents of forest floor, fresh beeswax, and rose water. The palate carries itself with elegance and grace. Perfectly seemly, the 2021 Platinum tannins are ultra-fine and mouthwatering. The mountain tannins from Upper Range are enveloped in the plushness of Caldwell, providing a silky finish that beckons the next glass.

Cellaring:	4 – 28 Years
Production:	100 Cases
Price:	\$300 / 750ml



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