

VARIETAL COLLECTION

Joy Rosé

By Caldwell, Napa Valley

2021

Vintage: Tenth
Composition: 53% Syrah, 39% Pinot Noir, 8% Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation: Coombsville, Napa Valley, CA
Santa Rita Hills, Santa Barbara, CA
Vineyard: Caldwell Vineyard Estate, Established 1981
Roadside Vineyard
Vineyard Blocks: Kreuzer, Caldwell, and Roadside Vineyard
Yield: 4.5 Tons per Acre on Average
Average Vine Age: 20 Years
Grape Variety: See Composition Section
Clones: 115, 337, 777, 877
Rootstock: 101-14 and 3309
Harvest Dates: Multiple

Vintage Summary: The 2021 Vintage can be classified as 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, I'm 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), I foresee the vintage to be known for its structure, freshness, and long-term age-ability.

Fermentation: French Oak Barrels: 75% New, 20% Used,
5% Stainless Steel
Yeast: Multiple
ML Bacteria: None
Wood Origin: 95% French Oak (Jupilles, Bercé / Vosges / Allier)
Aging: 5 Months
New Oak Barrels: 75%
Fining: None
Filtering: Filtered
Alcohol: 14.0%
Bottling Date: April 11, 2022

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: The 2020 JOY Rosé is beautifully luscious, and we wish we could have made more. This aromatically complex Rosé is reminiscent of freshly cut strawberries on vanilla shortbreads, ripe cranberries, and rose water. The palate is rich, but not sweet, and evokes memories of strawberries and whipped cream with crème de cassis liqueur. The attack is primarily fruit forward, and transitions to a fresh finish with lingering, lightly toasted French oak.

Cellaring: Now – 2 Years
Production: 145 Cases
Price: \$75/750ml

