



# BRYANT

## 2021 VINTAGE WINEMAKER NOTES

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### 2021 GROWING SEASON

We received seven inches of rain during the 2021 growing season; on average, we register 25-30 inches. Consequently, the vines produced little fruit: smaller clusters, smaller berries, with higher skin to juice ratios. These conditions created wines that are structured and ageable. We began picking on September 14th and concluded on October 7th.

### 2021 BRYANT FAMILY VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The 2021 Bryant Family Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon totaled 253 cases from the rocky hillside vineyard on Pritchard Hill. For the first time, the wine aged in barrel for an additional six months (75% new French oak, 25% used oak/amphora) to reach desired structure. Substantial, well-integrated tannins lead into a long and lingering finish.

### 2021 DB4 RED BLEND

At 442 cases, the 2021 DB4 is 69% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Cabernet Franc, and 20% Petit Verdot. A blend of fruit from the Bryant Family Vineyard, Madrona and Howell Mountain, the wine was aged in 65% new French oak, and like the Bryant and Bettina, remained in barrel for an additional six months. It is a classic expression of DB4 from its interplay between freshness and gravity.

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