

# TRUCHARD VINEYARDS

(NAPA VALLEY, CALIFORNIA)

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**Truchard Vineyards** was established in 1974, when Tony and Jo Ann Truchard came to the Carneros region of the Napa Valley and purchased a 20-acre parcel of land. They transformed what was an abandoned prune orchard into a vineyard and began selling the fruit to a local winery. In 1989, the Truchards began making wine for themselves using only their estate-grown fruit. An old barn on the property was converted into a winery; this barn became the symbol for Truchard Vineyards and adorns the top of the wine label. Through hard work and dedication, they quickly developed a reputation as one of the outstanding vineyards in Carneros. Over the past 31 years the Truchard Estate Vineyard has grown to 400 acres, of which 270 acres are planted. The Truchards now sell grapes to more than 20 premiere Napa Valley wineries.

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## Cabernet Sauvignon 2021

CSPC# 715003

750mlx12

14.2% alc./vol.

<b>Chemical Analysis</b>	Acidity: 6.0 g/l	pH: 3.64	Residual Sugar: g/l
<b>Grape Variety</b>	88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec		
<b>Winemaker</b>	Sal De Ianni		
<b>Vintage</b>	After a second record-dry winter in a row, bud break came early in 2021. During the spring, drought-stricken vines struggled to grow, setting a very light crop with small clusters and berries. Yields were down nearly 50%. Moderate conditions throughout the summer allowed this fruit to easily ripen. As expected, the wines of 2021 are intense, austere, and concentrated.		
<b>Vineyards</b>	The Truchard Estate Vineyard is located in the Carneros region of the Napa Valley. It is 400 acres of hills and valleys which contain a variety of soils: clay, shale, sandstone, limestone, volcanic ash, and rock. The combination of terrain, geology, and marine-moderated temperatures provides ideal conditions for wine-growing. Cabernet Sauvignon is planted in several different sites, including steep, southwestern facing hillsides. The vines range from 25 - 47 years old, and produce wines that are deep in color, dominated by lush flavors of plum, berry, and spice. Cabernet Franc, Petit Verdot, and Malbec are blended to provide additional softness, structure, and complexity.		
<b>Harvest</b>	Oct. 8-Nov 6 • 24.6 °Brix • 3.55 pH • 6.3 g/L TA		
<b>Vinification/ Maturation</b>	All of the fruit was gently destemmed and crushed, then inoculated with Pasteur Red yeast. Fermentations were pumped-over twice daily, with the temperature peaking at 88° F. Maceration time varied from 14 to 30 days depending on the vineyard block. The wine was aged for 20 months in French oak barrels (45% new). The final blend is 88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot, and 1% Malbec. This wine is drinkable now, but will gracefully age for the next 15 - 20 years.		
<b>Tasting Notes</b>	A complex nose of ripe plum, boysenberry, and cassis, with hints of cedar and vanilla. The mouth is layered with bright flavors of black cherry, red currants, and berry jam. Ripe tannins focus the palate and provide a lengthy finish of spice and red fruit.		
<b>Serve with</b>	Pair with steak, buffalo, squab, wild pheasant, duck, and hearty stews. Or serve with a pepper crusted grilled tuna steak.		
<b>Production</b>	4391 cases		
<b>Released</b>	October 1, 2023		
<b>Cellaring</b>	This wine can age 10 to 15 years with proper cellaring but is drinkable now.		

