

2021 DYER Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon Diamond Mountain District, Napa Valley

Site Description: Dyer Vineyard is a 2.3 acre vineyard situated on a bench, mid-slope on Diamond Mountain. The exposure is north facing and the slope is 7-10%. The site is likely an ancient land slide. Th soil is volcanic with a mélange of fine soil and gravel ranging from ash to richer red soils. The vineyard is dry farmed. The site was first planted to vineyard in 1993 by Bill and Dawnine Dyer.

Winemaking Philosophy: We favor a restrained, balanced style of winemaking that cultivates the unique characteristics of a vineyard. Over the past 26 years our winemaking has evolved slowly to focus on refining the tannin structure that Diamond Mountain is famous for while capturing the savory black fruits (plums, blueberries) that seem emblematic of Dyer Vineyard.

We feel, that at their best, the expression of Cabernet Sauvignon is an elegance and verve. We hope you agree.

Vintage Notes: The 2021 vintage saw draught conditions in the Napa Valley with less than a third of normal rainfall. A mild spring brought an early budbreak and bloom and the season was off to a good start. Overall the season was well modulated with nights remaining cool and steady daytime temperatures seldom over 95 F. At Dyer our dry farmed vineyard produced a light crop of small berries loaded with flavor and tannin. We picked on September 8.

Tasting Notes: Concentrated aromas of cassis and plum with a lifted floral note of dried rose petals. A fine mineral driven palate of earth and graphite with just a hint of savory herbs. A powerful wine with plenty of fine grain tannin.

Stats:

pH 3.72 TA 6.2 g/100ml Alc 14.5 % by vol

Blend:

81% Cab Sauv 15% Cab Franc 4% Petit Verdot

Winemakers and Grapegrowers: Bill and Dawnine Dyer

