



2022 ANDRONICUS

NAPA COUNTY “BORDEAUX” BLEND

Winemaking can be magic when the whole is greater than the sum of its parts. That’s why we created Andronicus, a perfect blend of the five Bordeaux that together form a dynamic wine and mouthwatering value. Young vine fruit from our Estate Vineyards form the backbone of this vivacious wine. Bright, crisp, Merlot from the Carneros Hills adds herbed cherry fruit note and silky texture, red currant spiced Malbec from Calistoga provides aromatic lift, and the Petite Verdot from the eastern foothills gives the wine a dark spice bite in the finish. It’s an ideal Napa Valley blend for both the wine connoisseur and novice alike.



APPELLATION: Napa Valley | **WINEMAKER:** Stephen Cruzan
BOTTLED: March 2024 | **BARREL AGING:** 20 months in barrel
BLEND:
41% Cabernet Sauvignon
22% Malbec, 12% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc,
9% Petite Sirah, 6% Petit Verdot

VINTAGE

- Lower than average late winter rainfall in 2022 continued drought like conditions that encouraged bud break and an early start to the growing season. A sunny and warm Spring encouraged early canopy growth and flowering on schedule, that made for balanced berry set and a good-sized crop across all varieties.
- Summer conditions were near idyllic, and June and July were warm without being overly hot, that proceeded into veraison in late July and early August.

WINE PROFILE

The 2022 Andronicus is a round and welcoming wine that embodies the spirit of a classic “Bordeaux Blend.” The wine is ruby in color with charming aromas of cherry, plum, coffee, rose, oolong tea and bay. The polished, smooth entry gives the wine depth through the palate on tannins that are pleasant and not overwhelming. Chocolate, coffee and integrating herbs meld with red cherry and pomegranate leading to a juicy finish.