

# MATCHBOOK

2021

*Red Gravel*

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ESTATE GROWN, PRODUCED AND BOTTLED

This elegant Cabernet Sauvignon was crafted entirely on our Matchbook Estate in the Dunnigan Hills of California. Every step from vine to bottle was done on our home turf and under the watchful eye of the Giguere family and our winemakers.

The 2021 is a classic Cabernet that showcases the quality and potential of both the Matchbook Vineyards and the Dunnigan Hills AVA. We are proud to have the **2021 Matchbook Estate Bottled Cabernet Sauvignon** in the Matchbook Estate Bottled line-up along with **Old Head Chardonnay**, **Petite Sirah** and **Petit Verdot**. Few wineries attain the prestigious Estate Bottled designation due to the time and resources required. At Matchbook, we always have been and continue to be focused on innovation, sustainability and most importantly, quality.

We use a mix of Cabernet Sauvignon clones to create structured wines with layered flavors.

- **Clone 7:** From Napa Valley, an older clone, known for consistently producing high-end wines.
- **Clone 337:** The new darling of Cabernet clones is known for its deep, rich flavors.
- **Clone 15:** Provides structure and depth.
- **Heritage Clones:** New vineyards include a mix of heritage clones from Napa Valley.

The Matchbook soils are predominantly Corning **RED GRAVEL** – great for optimum vine balance and flavor concentration.

- We extensively experiment with new trellising systems to produce smaller clusters and berries with intense color and varietal flavors.
- We use deficit irrigation to improve flavors and color intensity, conserve water and create an ideal growing environment for the vines.
- We sustainably farm our vineyards to support future generations of people and wildlife.

We harvest the Cabernet Sauvignon in the cool early mornings and deliver the fruit from our estate vineyards to the winery in less than 30 minutes. We ferment and age vineyard lots separately and then blend them to craft delicious wines with great structure and layered flavors.

The **2021 Matchbook Estate Bottled Cabernet Sauvignon** is crafted from grapes grown entirely in our Dunnigan Hills vineyards. The wine opens with the beautiful varietal aromas of mocha, leather and toasty oak. Plush flavors of blackberry, vanilla, deep red fruit and olive tapenade are rich and mouth-coating. The dense flavors surround the tannins for a finish that is well-structured and smooth. This is a substantial Cabernet that will pair well with the big flavors of a slow roasted prime rib, a hearty beef stew or a sizzling New York strip steak.



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