



## NAPA IS CALLING...

### MAY - TRILOGY MONTH

Celebrate the new release of Trilogy all month long with library flights, special events, and celebrations at the Tasting Room.

### AUGUST 10

Wine Club Appreciation Party at the Tasting Room

### OCTOBER 7 - 18

Luxury Asia Wine Cruise: Round Trip Tokyo with Nat and Anne Komes

### DECEMBER 7

Wine Club Appreciation Party at the Tasting Room



Our St. Helena Tasting Room with it's sun-drenched courtyard.

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reserve your spot.

## WHAT TO WEAR WINE TASTING IN NAPA VALLEY?

Summer is the perfect time to visit Napa. Our guide for what to wear when wine tasting in Napa Valley is now live in our blog. We suggest keeping it stylish while comfortable. Floaty florals with a wedge, or tailored trousers with a soft sweater. And of course, it's all about layers! The temperature drops considerably in the evenings, so a light jacket is a must-have.



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— WINE CLUB —



MAY 2024

## BUDBREAK BEGINS

As Spring emerges across the Valley after the dormancy of Winter we welcome the signs of greenery and growth that come with budbreak. We are delighted to present your May Wine Club shipment and the new release, 2021 Merlot. Merlot is a varietal we're recognized for, one you can drink immediately while you wait for your Cabernet to age; and one we've been known to enjoy with a light lunch due to its approachable, fruit forward profile.

I've mentioned we're working smaller at Flora Springs, and it may be more difficult to find our Merlot at your favorite wine shop or restaurant in the future. But we remain firmly committed to producing this varietal, even in lesser quantities, and as a Great Tastes Member you will always have access to this special wine.

Many exciting things are happening this month at our St Helena Tasting Room as we prepare for the summer season, kicking off on Saturday, May 4th with our 2021 Trilogy Release Event. We then continue the celebrations throughout the month of May with library flights of Trilogy. Additionally, we have launched our 2023 white wines. The 2023 Sauvignon Blanc, 2023 Rosé, and the 2023 Vermentino, which after a sell-out year last year, we are delighted to produce these wines once again. As always, thank you for supporting our small, family-owned winery.

Nat Komes, General Manager

## 2021 MERLOT

### TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Merlot delivers an indulgent sensory experience, harmonizing ripe fruit nuances of black cherry, plum, and raspberry with enticing hints of cardamom, cinnamon, and velvety vanilla creme. Infused with an intriguing vein of minerality, the wine culminates in a lingering finish with undertones of toasty, sweet oak.

### VINEYARD

The Windfall Vineyard, on the western benchland of the Rutherford sub-appellation, enjoys cool evenings and warm afternoons. The four acres of well-drained, nutrient-rich, gravelly loams produce concentrated yet balanced Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot and has been farmed by our family since 1986.

### WINEMAKING

Immediately after harvesting, the grapes for our 2021 Merlot were given a 3-day cold soak to extract color, tannin and flavor from the fruit. The juice fermented in small stainless steel tanks and was transferred to French and American oak barrels for eighteen months prior to bottling. Cases Produced: 350

### A NOTE FROM JOHN KOMES

"I love the approachability of Merlot. The flavor profile has a softer body to it. It's fun to see its personality and, compared to Cabernet, it shows the terroir better."

Price: **\$50** | Shipment: **\$45** | Wine Club Reorder: **\$40**

**VARIETAL:** 100% Merlot

**CELLAR:** Enjoy now or cellar until 2033

**PAIRINGS:** Juicy Steakburger; Roasted Eggplant Parmesan; Warm Burrata Toast



## 2021 LAVENDER HILL PINOT NOIR

### TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Lavender Hill Pinot Noir is fresh and aromatic with an array of dark black cherry, plum and raspberry fruit. Rich and layered with spice box and creamy oak, the wine is deftly balanced with subtle notes of sandalwood, mocha, vanilla and espresso. The fine-grained tannins are mild and the wine's structure will easily reward ten years of aging.

### VINEYARD

Our Lavender Hill Vineyard is one of the coolest sites in Napa, located in the southern part of the Carneros AVA where breezes from San Pablo Bay create optimal climate for growing Pinot Noir. These vineyards produce low yields of small clusters, resulting in beautiful aromatics.

### WINEMAKING

After hand sorting in the vineyard and at the winery, the grapes were gently crushed and transferred to small stainless steel tanks where the fruit underwent a four-day cold soak. Aging for 18 months in small French oak barrels, we used a mix of toast levels to preserve the delicate fruit. Cases Produced: 225

### THE LAST VINTAGE

If this Pinot Noir is one of your favorites, now is the time to acquire more, as the 2021 is the last of the varietal we will be making. Save 25% when you reorder.

Price: **\$75** | Shipment: **\$67.50** | Wine Club Reorder: **\$56.25**  
Save 25% when you reorder

**VARIETAL:** 100% Pinot Noir

**CELLAR:** Enjoy now or cellar until 2041

**PAIRINGS:** BBQ Pork Ribs; Mushroom Stroganoff; Baked Brie with Rosemary



NEXT SHIPMENT - JULY 2024  
2023 Soliloquy  
2021 Three Keys Cabernet Sauvignon

WHITE WINE CLUB MEMBERS  
Your shipment will include the 2023 Rosé