



2022

100% CABERNET FRANC

BLOCK: I :: CLONE: 214

ALLUVIAL, FLUVIAL SOILS WITH COBBLE

GENTLE SLOPE TO LEVEL

50 TO 200 FEET

WESTSIDE BENCH, EAST FACING

2022 VINTAGE

14.7% ALCOHOL :: 4 BARRELS

WINEMAKER: JULIEN FAYARD

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CABERNET FRANC

SLEEPING LADY VINEYARD

YOUNTVILLE AVA, NAPA VALLEY

“For our single-vineyard Cabernet Franc, we planted a small amount in the part of the Sleeping Lady vineyard that is more gravelly, on one of the fans just off the hillside slope, using Clone 214, which is a powerful clone, so it’s a powerful wine. To be as true as possible to the Cab Franc varietal, you want to be a little on the early side of picking. This gives a wine that will have a little more acidity, a little more freshness to it. It’s exciting that we now have this interesting journey in front of us that adds to the story of wines from this site.”

—Julien Fayard, WINEMAKER



Fresh nose of rich red fruit aromatics sustained by white pepper and herbal notes. The 2022 Cabernet Franc is a fresh, bright expression of the site, both in aroma and texture. We use newer oak to complement the aromatics and lift the texture while keeping the wine elegant. The wine was integrated for 22 months in 90% new French oak, made by our house cooper, Ramiro Herrera.

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