



# COQUEREL

## 2022 NOTRE CUVEE

SONOMA VALLEY

### OVERVIEW

Coquerel Family Wine Estates is located just beyond the town of Calistoga at the north end of the Napa Valley. The heart and soul of our winery is our Walnut Wash estate vineyard, a gorgeous, oak-studded property that sits in the afternoon shadows of the Mayacamas Mountains. Since 2005, we have done extensive enhancement and replanting of the site to ensure world-class fruit from vintage to vintage. The combination of warm temperatures and deep, clay soils make this ideal terroir for Sauvignon Blanc, our flagship variety. It also produces exceptional Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Verdelho, Tempranillo and Petite Sirah. In 2015, we planted 4 acres of estate Cabernet Sauvignon on clay soil (clone 169 and 4 on rootstock 3309) and Cabernet Franc (clone 214 on riparia) with narrow high density 3x5 spacing.

### VINTAGE

2022 was another dry vintage. Overall, the temperature was moderate until September. At the beginning of September, Napa Valley had a heat wave which really helped to ripen our fruit. A peak temperature of 108°F was recorded for the first time in Napa Valley. Harvest took place on the evening of September 13th.

### WINEMAKING

The fruit for our 2022 Notre Cuvee comes from Sonoma Valley. The grapes were de-stemmed, crushed, cold macerated for 48 hours and punched down throughout fermentation to extract as much flavor as possible. The wine was then pressed, barreled before malolactic fermentation and aged 22 months in French oak (25% new). Bottling took place at the beginning of August 2024.

### TASTING NOTES

Our 2022 Notre Cuvee is a Merlot based blend with a nice dense red color. The nose has notes of raspberry, with red fruit and has a rich, round mouthfeel with a long finish of bright red cherry. This beautiful wine can be enjoyed now or cellared for the next 8 to 10 years. It can be enjoyed with Italian and French cuisine.

### STATISTICS

<b>COMPOSITION</b> .....	90% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc & 5% Petite Sirah	<b>TA</b> .....	5.88
<b>REGION</b> .....	Sonoma Valley	<b>pH</b> .....	3.56
<b>AGING</b> .....	22 months in French oak	<b>ALCOHOL</b> .....	14.9%
		<b>CASES</b> .....	19