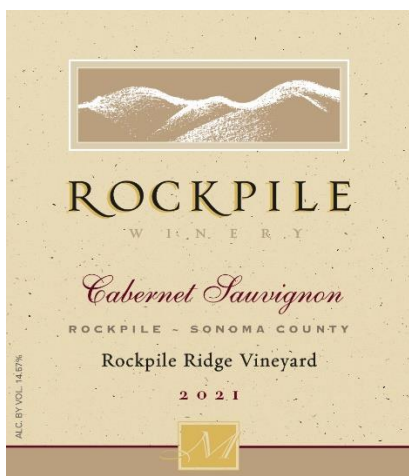




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## 2021 Rockpile Cabernet Sauvignon

### *Rockpile Ridge Vineyard*

<b>Production:</b>	736 cases
<b>Appellation:</b>	Rockpile
<b>Composition:</b>	82% Cabernet Sauvignon 13% Malbec 3% Petit Verdot 1% Merlot 1% Cabernet Franc
<b>Vineyard:</b>	Rockpile Ridge Vineyard
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.57% by volume
<b>Aging:</b>	17 months in oak barrels 100% French

## Winemakers' Perspective

At the time of bud break in late March, Sonoma County had only received a fraction of our annual rainfall. Because it looked to be another overall low rainfall year, we adjusted our farming practices, including dropping fruit earlier in the season to keep the vines strong and healthy for the long haul ahead of them.

Despite the drier growing season, the ripening period that falls between mid-August to late October was nearly flawless. Long, warm days and our maritime influenced evenings meant harvest decisions could be scheduled without haste. Grapes patiently hung on the vines, waiting to be harvested at their ultimate balance of flavor, freshness and intensity.

Beautifully detailed on the nose with perfumed black cherries, dried violets, loganberry, dusty iron red earth, shaved cocoa bean, woodsmoke, coastal dried underbrush, and anise. Vibrant and energetic entry that leads to the expected full-bodied nature of a Rockpile Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2021 vintage is defined by a delicious sophisticated and tailored tannin profile. Superb multi-layered finish with a candied fruit element that is seductive and more rewarding with further aeration. Enjoy over the next 15+ years.

Cheers,

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