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BRICOLEUR Rockpile zinfandel 2021



## 2021 ROCKPILE ZINFANDEL

#### VINEYARD NOTES

After a particularly brief winter the 2021 growing season was a harmonious one and promises to be a great vintage for winemaking in Sonoma County. The season got off to an early start and a mild summer resulted in wonderful fruit across the county. Ideal temperatures right up to harvest coupled with a slightly below average crop size resulted in varieties ripening at similar times, making for a quick and fast-paced harvest of excellent quality. Great flavor development and acid preservation resulted in extremely balanced wines we can't wait to share.

Bricoleur Vineyard's Rockpile Zinfandel comes from two growing sites with distinctly different aspects, sun exposure and elevation. Both vineyards are perched at over 1,200 feet above Lake Sonoma and produce wonderfully rich expressions of Zinfandel.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Bricoleur Vineyard's 2021 Rockpile Zinfandel comes from the acclaimed Rockpile appellation known for its high elevation, shallow red-rocky soils, and overall harsh growing conditions resulting in some of the most concentrated Zinfandel in Sonoma County. The grapes were meticulously hand sorted and then destemmed prior to going into open-top fermenting tanks where they cold soaked for three days. Pumpovers were performed daily as fermentation got under way and tank temperatures were monitored closely to help with color, flavor, and phenolic extraction. After alcoholic fermentation was complete the tanks were pressed and barreled down.

#### TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Rockpile Zinfandel is the first release from Bricoleur Vineyards. The Zinfandel delivers with appealing aromas of blueberry compote, lightly roasted coffee, chocolate and earthy hints of shitake mushroom. Black and blue fruits dominate the wonderfully smooth, textured palate.

Composition:100% ZinfandelHarvest Date:September 6-8, 2021Bottling Date:April 7, 2023Release Date:October 1, 2023Vintage:2021Price:\$65.00

Vineyard: Appellation: Winemakers: Aging: Production: Alcohol: Westphall Ridge & Gloekner-Turner Rockpile Cary Gott & Bob Cabral 10% New French Oak & 90% Neutral French Oak Barrels 450 Cases 15.7%