

# BRICOLEUR

VINEYARDS™



## 2021 LA RUMEUR

### 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.

La Rumeur: French for “the rumor” our custom blend celebrates the convivial banter that surrounds each vintage in Sonoma County. Questions like how does this vintage compare to the last, or the vintage before that? Did Mother Nature bring unforeseen challenges or was she harmonious right up to the last pick? As we trade stories, themes reveal themselves and eventually a story solidifies. Our final blend is the summation of these annual stories, bringing “La Rumeur” to life.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Bricoleur Vineyard's 2021 La Rumeur is a custom blend of Zinfandel, Syrah, and Pinot Noir. After the individual lots had completed primary and secondary fermentation the winemaking team crafted the blend in the spring of 2022 as the wines became expressive. Allowing the blend to age in barrel for nearly a year enhanced the component attributes of the three varieties.

### TASTING NOTES

This is the first release of La Rumeur blend by Bricoleur Vineyards. The wine boasts an alluring ruby red color with a tantalizingly opulent perfume wafting from the glass. Notes of red and black brambly fruits are complimented by black pepper spice and a kiss of vanilla. The palette is wonderfully textured with lasting layers of dark plum, blackberry and cinnamon.

*Composition:* 50% Zinfandel  
43% Syrah  
7% Pinot Noir

*Harvest Date:* September 8 – 24, 2021

*Bottling Date:* April 7, 2023

*Release Date:* February 1, 2024

*Vintage:* 2021

*Price:* \$65.00

*Appellation:* Sonoma County

*Winemakers:* Cary Gott

*Aging:* 15% New French Oak &

85% Neutral French Oak Barrels

*Production:* 400 Cases

*Alcohol:* 15.2%