



2021 Syrah
The Bench Vineyard
Clements Hills

The Bench sits betwixt The Clements Hills where it receives cooling winds from The Golden Gate Wind Gap. The low fertility sandy soils are derived from Granite and Tufa and form undulating “Hills” from the steady breezes from the west. These fine-grained soils grow fine grained wines. We fermented this 100% Syrah with 100% Whole-Clusters and aged it in 500L French Oak Puncheons for ten months before bottling this wine without any fining or filtration.

100% Syrah
100% Whole Cluster Fermentation
Aged in neutral 500L French Oak Puncheons
10 months in Puncheons
Free SO2 @ Bottling 12 ppm
3.88 pH
13.0% Alc by Vol

Tasting Note:

Robust aromas of plums, tar and violets dominate the intoxicating aromas of this southern Rhone styled Syrah. Gritty and laced with baked pomegranate and cherry skin, this peppery Syrah shows the warmer climate it was grown in with its warm embrace of lucious baked red summer fruits and firm and vibrant personality. This 2021 is darker and richer than the delicate 2020 and shows the intensity you would expect from a drought vintage.