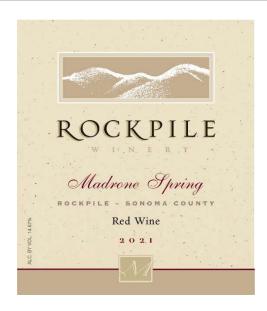


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2021 Rockpile "Madrone Spring" Red Wine

Production: 294 Cases

Appellation: Rockpile

Composition: 60% Zinfandel

33% Petite Sirah

7% Syrah

Vineyard: Madrone Spring Vineyard

Alcohol: 14.57 % by volume

Aging: 14 months in oak barrels

100% French

Winemakers' Perspective

Our family's Rockpile Ridge Vineyard is located at nearly 1,200 feet in elevation in the Rockpile appellation. The Madrone Spring block is composed of three distinct varietals: Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Syrah. These three varietals grow in the coolest microclimate in Rockpile, due to its northwest orientation, and produce wines of great freshness and distinction. The blocks are harvested at different times and fermented separately to maintain the integrity and uniqueness of each block.

Our intention with the Madrone Spring is to create a blend that not only exemplifies this unique area of our original homesteaded property but also showcases the extraordinary affinity and alchemy of Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Syrah.

Originally, the wine was dominated by Zinfandel and complemented with Petite Sirah and Syrah, though that has varied by release. Regardless of the varietal breakdown, our goal is always to make the best blend that expresses the Madrone Spring Vineyard in a specific vintage.

Our 2021 Rockpile Madrone Spring returns to a blend composition that is in line with some of the earliest iterations of this detailed wine. Dominant notes of candied black cherry, blackberry compote, blue floral tones and shaved vanilla pod give way to minor notes of summer-warmed dried coastal underbrush, cedar and cured meats. Firm yet velvety tannins give this wine a measure of approachability, but the staying power and freshness inherent in all Rockpile wines provide an even greater level of promise. This gorgeous red wine blend would benefit from at least 12+ months of bottle age. Enjoy over the next 7+ years.

Cheers,

Clay Mauritson Owner & Founder Emma Kudritzki Hall Winemaker