

2021 Namesake

Jodar Vineyard,
El Dorado



Wine Specs

58% Cabernet Franc
42% Merlot
14% alcohol
250 cases produced
\$40 per bottle

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Tasting Notes

This expressive wine features earthy aromas reminiscent of Bordeaux, with a signature dark berry backdrop. It is a big, age worthy wine with significant but velvety, fine-grained tannins across the palate and a lingering dark fruit profile of blueberry and blackberry.

Winemaking Notes

The cabernet franc and merlot were picked the same day and co-fermented in 2-ton open top tanks. During fermentation we practiced gentle daily punchdowns to avoid overextraction, then sent the free run wine to barrel for aging after fermentation completed. You can age this wine for at least 8 years from vintage date.

Aging

Aged for 18 months in 80% new French oak and 20% neutral oak to allow the tannins plenty of time to soften.

Food Pairing

If you're feeling fancy, this wine is worthy of a special meal. We love it with Chateaubriand, Osso Bucco, Seared Duck Breast, or even Foie Gras, for an elegant food pairing. No matter how you're feeling, we recommend pairing it with rich foods to balance beautifully with the layered fruit and tannins in this wine. This wine pairs perfectly with Chef Lisa Scott's Rigatoni a la Bordelaise.

Accolades

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