



BRION

CABERNET FRANC

SLEEPING LADY VINEYARD
YOUNTVILLE DISTRICT, NAPA VALLEY

“For our single-vineyard Cabernet Franc, we planted a small amount in the part of the Sleeping Lady vineyard that is more gravelly, on one of the fans just off the hillside slope, using Clone 214, which is a powerful clone, so it’s a powerful wine. To be as true as possible to the Cab Franc varietal, you want to be a little on the early side of picking. This gives a wine that will have a little more acidity, a little more freshness to it. It’s exciting that we now have this interesting journey in front of us that adds to the story of wines from this site.”

—Julien Fayard, WINEMAKER



2021

100% CABERNET FRANC

BLOCK: I :: CLONE: 214

ALLUVIAL, FLUVIAL SOILS WITH COBBLE

GENTLE SLOPE TO LEVEL

50 TO 200 FEET

WESTSIDE BENCH, EAST FACING

2021 VINTAGE

14.6% ALCOHOL :: 3 BARRELS

WINEMAKER: JULIEN FAYARD

The 2021 vintage shows classic Sleeping Lady elegance in the tannins with fresh bright texture and black aromatics. The blue fruit notes typical of the vineyard are more pronounced in this varietal, which is known for retaining its fresh characteristics at full ripeness.

Hints of floral, spice, and Provençal garrigue notes are followed by rich coffee and spice in an elegant finish.

Aged in 100% French oak, 60% new.

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