



PAUL HOBBS  
— WINERY —



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IN THE REALM OF WINEMAKING, THERE EXISTS A DELICATE TIGHTROPE TO TRAVERSE, BALANCING TRADITION AND INNOVATION—an infinite dance between the old and the new. We believe when true style flourishes, it remains timeless, elegant, and purposeful.

While embarking on this journey of style, we must establish our vision for the desired wine. Within every bottle, the wine should convey the unique character of its origins, thus providing a connection with the site via the fruit the wine was made from. With this, the adventure commences—and truth be told, it is the most exhilarating part of the voyage. While we have a semblance of what we want to create, we learn through experimentation and a touch of risk-taking, perfecting the process along the way. The art of crafting and defining a purposeful style unfolds through this intricate process, wherein time and effort play vital roles.

Indeed, within the core of our approach lies a deep appreciation for the terroir. Our aspiration is to create wines that embody balance, while reflecting the nuances of each vineyard and vintage. We focus on the entire ecosystem within the vineyard, considering the interplay of soils, topography, and climate. Our devoted farming teams labor tirelessly, fostering a profound relationship with the land. It is through this synergistic bond that we continually evolve and refine our methods, diligently preserving and elevating the essence of each site.

Our aim is to fashion wines that showcase fresh, dynamic fruit from each site, beaming with vibrancy and possessing clarity. Embracing the concept of Yin and Yang, we seek both fullness of flavor and body, as well as a joining of power and elegance. Working within a young region, we are committed to learning and evolving, respecting the coastal environment and energy of the ocean and atmosphere. The goal—to produce wines that captivate the palate with their mouth-filling, opulent nature while simultaneously capturing energetic acidity and fine-grained tannins...silky and smooth yet endowed with an alluring tension.

With every sip, a story unfolds—a testament to the ceaseless evolution of wine style. This narrative captivates our palates, perpetually inspiring us to explore new horizons and reimagine the boundaries of taste. It is both an honor and a pleasure to share our latest releases of chardonnay, pinot noir, and cabernet sauvignon. While you savor these wines, we will continue to experiment, take risks, and refine our craft. This journey is an ongoing endeavor.

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# GROWING SEASON NOTES

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2021

One of the best vintages in recent memory, 2021 will be remembered for its intensely flavored berries, a smooth harvest and most importantly, exquisitely balanced, nuanced, and vivid wines. The season began with historically low rainfall which, coupled with a cold winter, delayed bud break. However, despite the cooler start to the year, the remainder of the season proved to be temperate with no relevant unfavorable weather events. Warm temps and mild May weather conditions, for example, favored a compact bloom and an extremely uniform fruit set with highly desirable small berries and moderately sized, well-spaced clusters. Meanwhile, summer's long, cool mornings and warm afternoons permitted the fruit on the vine to take a slow, leisurely ride to full maturity—excellent for the physiological fruit development we prize. Harvest kicked-off punctually at 12:01 am on September 6, and after six glorious weeks, blessed our house with a fine crop of remarkably delicious, energetic, young wines.

2020

A dry winter started the season with less than half the region's average rainfall leading to a mild spring and early season bud break. Summer began with relatively moderate temperatures resulting in exceptional phenolic development, allowing fruit to ripen and mature slowly on the vine. Consecutive heat spells coupled with a rare mid-August lightning storm accelerated the start of harvest two weeks earlier than average. All fruit was hand-harvested within seven weeks, and although challenging on many fronts, our highly skilled team persevered at every stage and excelled in their meticulous picking, sorting, and barrel selections. While some wines will not be produced as they did not meet our standards for quality, those that were are in very small quantities, ensuring the limited remaining bottlings showcase their full character with great energy, depth of flavor, and focus.







## 2021 CHARDONNAY

### EDWARD JAMES ESTATE, RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

Luminescent pale gold in color, the 2021 vintage from the Russian River Valley presents aromas of white peach, lemon zest, and honeysuckle. This bright yet full-bodied wine reveals white fig, lemon crème, and Golden Delicious apple, all framed by a delicate minerality on the palate. Backed by vibrant acidity, the elegant, creamy finish is long and persistent with an accompanying tension and unmistakable energy.

### ROSS STATION ESTATE, RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

Pearlescent pale straw in hue, this compelling vintage reveals aromas of Honeycrisp apple, Meyer lemon zest, gardenia, and a hint of crushed rock that harkens to the foggy mornings of the Green Valley sub-appellation. A bright, layered core of pomelo, green apple, and pear resonates on the palate with notes of warm spice, all enveloped in a crisp acidity, bringing tension to the seamless, lingering finish.

### CUVÉE LOUISA

### GOLDROCK ESTATE, WEST SONOMA COAST

Sourced from two blocks off our Goldrock Estate, this wine showcases a brilliant golden straw in the glass. A bouquet of Asian pear, Pippin apple, and white florals wed with notes of baking spice. The creamy texture glides along the palate picking up underlying tones of apricot, lemon curd, and red apple skin. This well-delineated wine's acidity and sea salt crunch are reflective of its coastal origins.



## 2021 PINOT NOIR

### GOLDROCK ESTATE, WEST SONOMA COAST

Located in the far northwestern corner of the West Sonoma Coast, our remote estate in Annapolis delivers a wine that is vivid ruby in the glass with aromas of wild strawberry, raspberry, and a hint of anise. The palate is focused with well-integrated layers of blueberry, cranberry, and bergamot. A lifted acidity and silky texture add tension to the lingering finish, followed by hints of damp earth and red clay.

### CLEARY ESTATE, SONOMA COAST

Leading with a deep ruby tint, the aromas entice the senses with notes of tart raspberry, strawberry compote, bergamot, and black tea. The palate combines power and lightness into one with a backbone of plum and mulberry complemented by notes of sandalwood, gray clay, and a graphite minerality. Velvety fine-grained tannins lead to a focused finish that integrates flawlessly with its coastal acidity.

### KATHERINE LINDSAY ESTATE, RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

The 2021 vintage shines with a deep ruby hue and inviting aromas of cranberry, hibiscus, orange peel, and savory herbs. On the palate, notes of raspberry, plum, ripe strawberry, and tobacco leaf wrap around accents of Earl Grey tea, white pepper, and red clay. Silky fine-grained tannins are supported by a balanced acidity, lending focus and energy to the lengthy finish.

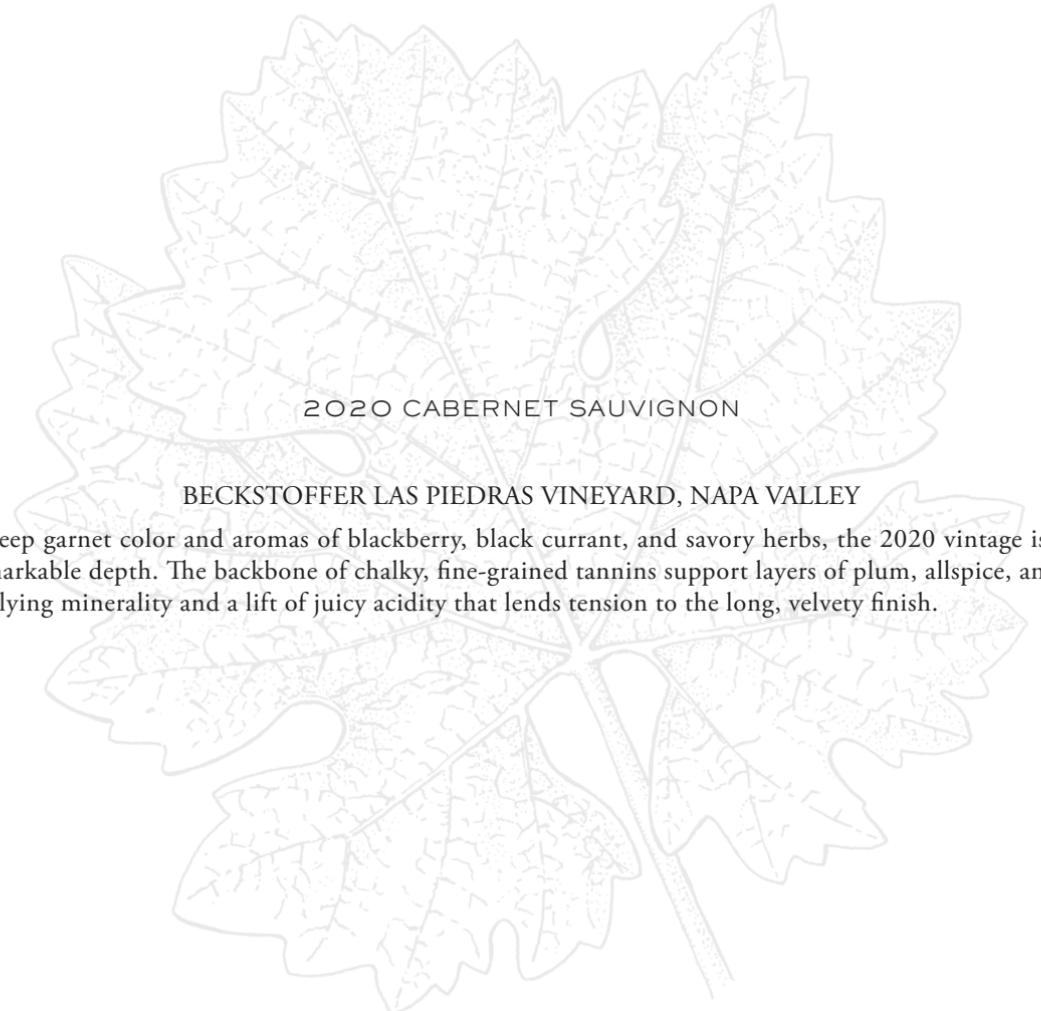
### CUVÉE AGUSTINA

### KATHERINE LINDSAY ESTATE, RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

Vibrant dark ruby in color, the 2021 vintage captivates with aromas of boysenberry, blueberry, red cherry, and orange zest. Blackberry and plum add depth along the mid-palate leading to flavors of thyme and an iron-like minerality. Bright acidity and supple tannins grant structure to the wine's elegant texture, all balanced through the long finish.







2020 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

BECKSTOFFER LAS PIEDRAS VINEYARD, NAPA VALLEY

Possessing a deep garnet color and aromas of blackberry, black currant, and savory herbs, the 2020 vintage is a compelling wine with remarkable depth. The backbone of chalky, fine-grained tannins support layers of plum, allspice, and tobacco leaf, with an underlying minerality and a lift of juicy acidity that lends tension to the long, velvety finish.

## WINERY TASTINGS BY APPOINTMENT

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### **Signature Tasting**

Explore the winery with an introductory estate tour and seated tasting of four select signature wines accompanied by artisanal cheeses and charcuteries.

*\$95 per person\**

### **Vineyard Designate Experience**

Journey into the heart of our Katherine Lindsay Estate where the pursuit of excellence behind our wines is revealed, followed by a seated tasting of six highly limited vineyard designate wines with seasonally inspired culinary pairings.

*\$250 per person\**

### **Barrel Hunter**

***“Paul Hobbs is like a good truffle-hunting dog when it comes to finding great vineyards.” - Robert Parker***

This custom-tailored experience offers access to 100-point wines inside our private Library at the Lindsay House. Our Estate Chef will create your four-course tasting menu to pair with eight highly coveted vineyard designate wines, including some of our most rare and limited bottlings. Offered only three times per month due to the scarcity of the wines featured. Call to inquire at least 30 days in advance.

*Pricing starts at \$600 per person\**

For more information or to schedule your tasting, access the visit us page at [paulhobbswinery.com](http://paulhobbswinery.com) or contact our Estate Concierge:

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*\*plus applicable taxes*

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VINEYARD DESIGNATE EXPERIENCE

COPPER RIVER KING SALMON CRUDO  
2019 EDWARD JAMES ESTATE  
2019 ROSS STATION ESTATE

CHARDONNAY

RADISH, COCONUT MILK, VADOUVAN, PUFFED WILD RICE