



VINEYARDS

MOON MOUNTAIN DISTRICT · CATON VINEYARD

BALLFIELD SYRAH



Ty Caton Vineyards is committed to producing the finest wines made from the highest quality grapes and winemaking dedication at its best. Our limited production allows us to handcraft wines with varietal intensity and balance.

TY CATON
PROPRIETOR & WINEMAKER

VARIETAL	-----	100% Syrah
FARMING PRACTICES	-----	Certified Sustainable
APPELLATION	-----	Moon Mountain District ~ Sonoma Valley
REGION	-----	Estate Grown, Caton Vineyard
COOPERAGE	-----	15 Months, 50% New French Oak
ALCOHOL	-----	15.2%
BOTTLING DATE	-----	May 2022
PRODUCTION	-----	405 Cases
VINTAGE	-----	2020
RELEASE DATE	-----	September 2022

TASTING NOTES

This wine is accentuated by aromas of blackberry and mocha and intensified on the mid-palate with flavors of boysenberry and subtle pepper spice. The smooth finish leaves silky, lingering tannins.

CATON VINEYARD NOTES - BLOCK 1 & 2

In the 1960's, the base of this vineyard was originally a baseball field for the San Francisco Boys and Girls Club -- Ballfield Syrah honors this history in its name. The two unique blocks of Syrah planted side by side on the Caton Vineyard offer distinct characteristics and harmonious balance when together. Block 1 is a 2.6 acre planting with North-South row direction. This block consistently offers bold fruit and complex flavor profile. Block 2 is a 3.9 acre site with East-West row direction. The block is warm with limited afternoon sun, so it produces a wine with the best of both worlds: fruit forwardness of a warm site and spice qualities of a cool site.

2020 VINTAGE NOTES

The 2020 harvest started with idealic growing conditions in Sonoma Valley. Temperature rose consistently through Labor Day while September brought high temperature spikes accelerating the last weeks of harvest. It took a unpredictable turn mid-August with wildfires leaving uncertainty around the county. Luckily, the early harvest allowed us time to pick the Caton Vineyard with quality fruit. This vintage resulted in smaller berries and concentrated fruit.

