

## 2021 APERTURE DEL RIO VINEYARD

100% Cabernet Sauvignon | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CA

#### **100 POINTS**

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"An intense and complete wine with a mountainous feel, the 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Del Rio was raised in 100% new French oak and is entirely composed of Cabernet Sauvignon. In the glass, it pours a dark purple hue and shows off a brooding profile, with a classic cologne of leather, cigar box, plum compote, savory herbs, graphite, and dried flowers. Full-bodied, it's commanding in its structure, with ripe tannins that take on a more noble texture, a long finish, and fresh red fruit coming through on the back palate. It demands time in the cellar and is going to need another 5 or more years. Drink 2027-2057."

## 2021 APERTURE ESTATE FARROW RANCH CABERNET SAUVIGNON

100% Caberent Sauvignon | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CA

#### **99 POINTS**

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Farrow Ranch is entirely Cabernet Sauvignon grown on volcanic soils and was raised in 80% new French oak. They opted not to make this wine in 2020 due to the effects of the fires, and this is a spectacular return for the wine. It pours an opaque red color and takes some time to coax open in the glass as it begins to reveal a more brooding, introspective profile, with sappy notes of lavender oils, menthol, blackcurrant, leather, and toasted cedar. Fleshy and full, it fills the palate and builds in structure through the mid-palate, with an underlying gravelly texture, and a long, earth-toned finish. It demands time in the cellar to unfurl and release some of its grip. Drink 2027-2057."

#### 2021 APERTURE SJ RANCH CABERENT SAUVIGNON 100% Cabernet Sauvignon | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CA

## **99 POINTS**

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon SJ Ranch was raised in 90% new French oak for 22 months and is entirely Cabernet Sauvignon. Displaying an inky purple/black color, the nose is ripe and potent with aromas of blackcurrant, sappy pine, menthol, and lavender oil. Full-bodied, with a weightless feel, it's the most refined of these wines, with fantastic freshness tying it together, as well as velvety tannins and a long, great finish. It has more tannin, but it's going to be one of the longest-lived wines in the range. This is next level. Drink over the coming years. Drink 2026-2056."

## **2021 APERTURE NOMAD**

75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 25% Merlot | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CA

#### **98 POINTS**

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"A ripe purple/red color, the 2021 Nomad was sourced from the proposed AVA of Pocket Peak and is a blend of 75% Cabernet Franc and the rest Merlot that was raised for 22 months in 70% new French oak. I love this wine, which they did not make it in 2020. It has such a fantastic nose, with great Cabernet Franc notes that frame the wine with aromas of graphite, cassis, toasted chili, mole spice, and blueberries. Full-bodied, with a weightless field, it's constantly evolving in the glass, with plush tannins, a gravelly feel, and a long, weightless finish. It's another spectacular wine from this estate, which continues to impress. Drink 2025-2050."

#### 2021 APERTURE OLIVER RANCH CABERNET SAUVIGNON

100% Cabernet Sauvignon | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CA

## **97 POINTS**

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"Made entirely from Cabernet Sauvignon, the 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Oliver Ranch saw 22 months in 80% new French oak. On opening, it displays an opaque red color and boasts deep aromas of black and blue fruit, with notes of forest floor, gravel, black plum, and tobacco leaf. Full-bodied, it takes on an expansive feel through the palate, with supple ripe tannins, a fleshy mid-palate, and a long finish. Decadent and rich, it's going to command time in cellar to shed its baby fat. Drink 2027-2050."













#### 2021 APERTURE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 6% Petit Verdot, 5% Merlot, 3% Malbec, 1% Cabernet Franc | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CA

#### **95 POINTS**

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"Pouring a deep red/purple color, the 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon has the addition of 6% Petit Verdot, 5% Merlot, 3% Malbec and a splash of Cabernet Franc, all raised in 55% new French oak for 18 months. It's aromatic of brambly crunchy fruits, with notes of blackberries, resinous herbs, mossy forest earth, and mocha. Full-bodied and light on its feel, with lovely freshness, it offers refined tannins and a good deal of length, with an even spine of acidity to hold up its decadent nature. It is going to be an age-worthy wine to enjoy over the next 15 or so years."

## **2023 APERTURE SAUVIGNON BLANC**

80% Sauvignon Blanc, 20% Semillon | SONOMA COUNTY, CA

#### **94 POINTS**

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"The 2023 Sauvignon Blanc includes the addition of 20% Sémillon and was raised in a combination of French oak and a small portion of cement. Pouring a brilliant silver/straw hue, it takes on a distinctly Bordeaux Blanc-styled profile on the nose, with crystalline aromas of lemon candies, spices, tropical flowers, and fresh grapefruit. Medium-bodied, with a luxurious, rounded feel, it reveals a lot of refinement on the palate, offering a silky texture and a weightless, mouthwatering finish. It's only going to improve if given the chance, but it's delicious now. Drink 2025-2035.

#### 2021 APERTURE BORDEAUX RED BLEND

44% Merlot, 27% Malbec, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot, 9% Cabernet Franc | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CA

#### **93 POINTS**

## Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"The 2021 Bordeaux Red Blend was raised in 50% new French oak for 18 months and is 44% Merlot, 27% Malbec, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot, and the rest Cabernet Franc. The nose is highly expressive, with lots of primary fruit up front and notes of crushed mixed berries, peppercorn, violets, and mountain herbs. Full-bodied, it's ripe and plush on the palate, with velvety tannins and notes of cocoa coming through the mid-palate and finish. It has good length, but it's approachable now. Drink 2024-2034."

**2023 APERTURE CHENIN BLANC** 

100% Chenin Blanc | SONOMA COUNTY, CA

## **93 POINTS**

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"Raised mostly in stainless steel, but 20% in neutral French oak and a splash in 5% cement, the 2023 Chenin Blanc displays a bright yellow/silver hue and is floral and dewy, with fresh aromas of white blossoms, baby powder, starfruit, and candied citrus. Medium-bodied, it's bright through the finish, with an elegant, linear, and weightless feel. It's really pretty and never feels austere. Coming from vines planted in the 1940s, this is a very appealing wine to drink over the next 6-8 years.'

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Devil Proof

## 2021 DEVIL PROOF CIMA LADERA FARROW RANCH

65% Malbec, 35% Cabernet Sauvignon | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CALIFORNIA

## **99 POINTS**

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"Meaning "top of the hillside" in Spanish, the Inky purple-colored 2021 Cima Ladera Farrow Ranch is mostly Malbec with the addition of 35% Cabernet Sauvignon and sees 90% new French oak. The first vintage they made of this wine, the Cabernet really pops through in its profile, with a nose of fresh plums, redcurrants, lavender, and a mineral lift of pencil lead jumping from the glass. Full-bodied, it as a mountainous feel to its structure, with plenty of ripe tannins and a balanced, even freshness underneath. This is a great addition to the range that's going to appeal to lovers of great Cabernet Sauvignon. Drink 2029-2059."

# 2021 DEVIL PROOF MALBEC ROCKPILE RIDGE

100% Malbec | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CA

# 99 POINTS

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"Inky black in color, the 2021 Malbec Rockpile Ridge is a wild beast. Raised in 100% new French oak, it takes on a distinctive profile that's really not quite like anything else, with loads of concentrated black and blue fruit, menthol, wild forest herbs, lavender, gravelly earth, and polished leather. Coming from above the fog line, it offers a plush, ripe, full-bodied texture, sweet tannins, an incredibly intense core of concentration, and a long finish, but it's going to need time. Drink 2026-2040."

# 2021 DEVIL PROOF MALBEC FARROW RANCH

100% Malbec | ALEXANDER VALLEY, CA

97 POINTS

Audrey Frick - Jeb Dunnuck, June 2024

"Saturated opaque purple, the 2021 Malbec Farrow Ranch is all Malbec and spent 22 months in 90% new French oak. It has a highly expressive bouquet with plenty of floral perfume, dark ripe fruit, and loads of blueberry pie, boysenberries, and baking spices. Full-bodied but light on its feet, it retains fantastic acidity, with supple tannins, and it's long on the palate. It's an wine outstanding in this vintage and has some real aging potential over the coming 20 years."





