

2019 Basic Black Red Wine Napa & Sonoma Valley

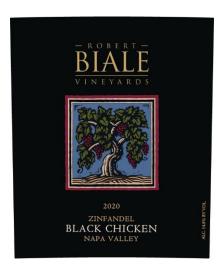
This phenomenal red blend has been produced for years and is our most complex and captivating wine. Working for decades with old field blend vineyards, we have come to appreciate the magic of co-fermentation. Co-fermentation occurs when multiple grapes are combined and fermented together in a vat. This winemaking approach is gaining popular attention amongst serious winemakers, especially those working with Zinfandel field blends. For years it has been a goal for us to find the right proportions of different fruit to produce a new Biale blend that displays the best of each site. Our 2019 vintage is a reserve blend of 30% Alicante Bouchet, 25% Early Burgundy, 10% Tempranillo, 10% Carignane, 9% Syrah, 9% Petite Sirah, and 7% Grenache.

Vintage Notes: A long, warm summer and mild finish to the season, the beginning of 2019 was defined by copious rainfall and late soil moisture. There were few extreme heatwaves in the summer with foggy mornings that set the stage for creating vibrant and expressive wines. The long, mild finish to the season preserved the freshness and finesse of the fruit to allow ample hang time to tease out great color, structure, and soft tannins. Overall, the seasonproduced exceptional fruit quality with bright acidity and ample texture to produce an amazing vintage.

Winemaking: At harvest, the fruit is hand-picked and sorted to ensure that only the best fruit makes it into the fermenter. The individual lots of multiple varietals from different vineyards are blended into one open-top tank to co-ferment. The must is cold soaked for 4 days at 50°F and then inoculated with commercial yeast strains. For color and tannin extraction, we perform 2 to 3 punch downs per day. Fermentation is typically completed after 14 days at a maximum temperature of 86°F. We then lightly press and store the wine into 100% Burgundy oak barrels (30% new), where malolactic fermentation is completed. The wine is aged for up to 17 months.

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: A complex wine with many layers, this red blend displays a dark fruit of blackberry, sarsaparilla, cocoa, wild iris, and earthy undertones. Finely integrated with robust mid-palate tannins, this wine leads to a long-lasting finish.





2020 Black Chicken Zinfandel Napa & Sonoma Valley

Sourced from the original family vineyard that Aldo, Nonna, Bob, and the Biale family have farmed since the 1930s, with additional grapes from our Oak Knoll District Vineyard, Black Chicken represents the ultimate expression of Napa Valley Zinfandel from this cool, southern region.

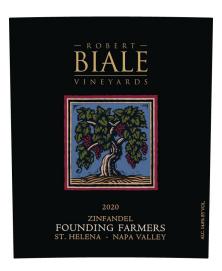
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Winemaking: Our winemaking begins with meticulous attention to detail and close monitoring in the vineyard. Our philosophy is to focus on the fruit in our vineyards all season long so that when the grapes arrive at our cellar, only minimalistic vinification is needed. We want our wines to speak firmly to the place and soils from which where they are grown.

At harvest, the fruit is hand-picked and sorted to ensure that only the best fruit makes it into the fermenter. The grapes are crushed, and gravity fed into the open-top tanks. The must is cold soaked for 2 to 4 days at 50°F and then inoculated with commercial yeast strains. For color and tannin extraction, we perform 2 to 3 punch downs per day. Fermentation is typically completed after 14 to 16 days at a maximum temperature of 86°F. At dryness, we lightly press and store the wine into 100% Burgundy oak barrels (20% new), where malolactic fermentation is completed. The wine is aged for up to 14 months.

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: This wine is round and plush with perfectly ripe tannins and bright aromas of red and dark fruit – raspberries, cherries, and blackberries – star anise, black and white pepper, cocoa, and subtle, nuanced oak.





2020 Founding Farmers Zinfandel St. Helena, Napa Valley

Founding Farmers was crafted in tribute to the early pioneers of Napa Valley winemaking. Before Cabernet was the dominant grape in Napa Valley, Zinfandel prevailed. While settlers were searching for treasure during the Gold Rush era, they took to farming, especially wine grapes. Across the board, they selected vineyards of ideal soil types, and the valley's Mediterranean climate and elevated, rocky terrain helped provide the ideal growing conditions for Zinfandel to flourish. Founding Farmers is sourced primarily from two of St. Helena's oldest estates – Varozza Vineyard and Old Kraft Vineyards. Each vineyard has its own unique characteristics, and when blended complement each other beautifully.

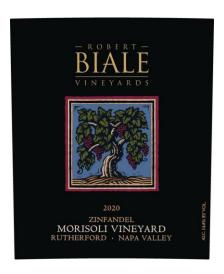
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Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Bursting with exotic fruit aromatics, this Zinfandel exhibits notes of dark cherry, strawberry, pineapple, raspberry, red licorice, and Italian herbs. Light bodied and approachable, this wine is well balanced and leads to a juicy finish.





2020 Morisoli Vineyard Zinfandel Rutherford, Napa Valley

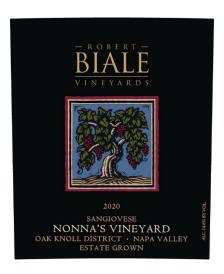
Planted in 1880, the Morisoli family has been farming this vineyard for over five generations in the heart of Napa Valley – the Rutherford Bench. The warm weather of this vineyard, combined with the gentle coastal breeze of the San Pablo Bay, promotes a long growing season producing some of Napa's most complex Cabernet Sauvignons and Zinfandels. Biale sources its Zinfandel from head-trained vines dating back to 1985, and our winemaking style best showcases the terroir of this site known as "Rutherford Dust." The "Dust" is a soil blend of sandy loam, volcanic ash, and bedrock.

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Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Medium-bodied with fruit, spice, and floral aromatics and flavors of black cherry and red plum, this Zinfandel is well balanced with fresh acidity and dusty tannins. Drinkable now and ageworthy for up to 5-7 years.





2020 Nonna's Vineyard Sangiovese Oak Knoll District, Napa Valley

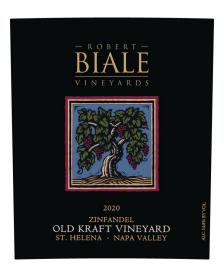
This rare one-acre vineyard on the Biale family ranch is named after Aldo's mother, Cristina (a.k.a. Nonna). Admired by Aldo for her determination, arduous work, and faith, Aldo planted a small block of Sangiovese in her honor in 1993. When Aldo's father Pietro died in 1942, Cristina and young Aldo shouldered the responsibilities of the ranch alone. Nonna's savvy business sense and land trade knowledge grew the family's property holdings when the City of Napa was expanding. After Cristina's passing, Aldo and his family continued the farming duties on the ranch, keeping her legacy alive. In 1995, we were delighted to add this variety to our repertoire.

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Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Medium-bodied with rich, rustic red fruit aromatics – Bing cherry, rhubarb, strawberry, and plum – with hints of chamomile and spice, this Sangiovese has a grand entry with great acidity and rich tannins.





2020 Old Kraft Vineyard Zinfandel St. Helena, Napa Valley

Old Kraft Vineyard is located just west of St. Helena, below the Mayacamas Mountains. The original vineyard was planted in the 1860s by winemaking pioneer Franz Kraft and was replanted in 1891 following a phylloxera outbreak. His abandoned winery and house were later purchased by the Novak family, the proprietors of Spottswoode Winery. A small portion of Kraft's vineyard that remains today was eventually purchased by Bill and Margie Hart in 2001. With a heart for restoration, the Harts set out to revive the ailing vines with the expertise of Bill Pease of Madrigal Vineyard Management. Our first harvest of this fruit in 2003 showed the promise coming and, by 2006, a single vineyard designation was earned.

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Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Concentrated with ripe aromatics of blackberry, black cherry, dark plum, mocha, purple flowers, and toasted oak, this Zinfandel is well balanced with beautiful, rustic tannins.





2021 Rosato (Dry Rosé of Sangiovese) California

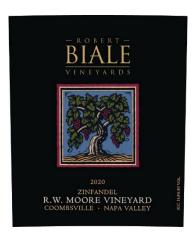
This refreshing Rosé is made in minimal quantities for enjoyment during the spring and summer, but do not wait until the weather warms up to order some! Just picture yourself on your porch or poolside with a nice glass of Biale Rosé paired with a light meal. After a long day, you deserve it!

Vintage Notes: The 2021 growing season experienced rain in both January and February and then almost no rain the rest of the season. This provided an ideal climate for our grapes to flower, bloom, and set in the early spring. Budbreak occurred early in April followed by flowering and bloom in May. The summer saw early ripening without concerning heat spikes. Everything was tended to early thanks to the calm spring season with veraison occurring in early July. Due in part to the drought, yields were lower, resulting in less fruit dropping in the vineyards. It was one of the earliest harvests on record. Harvest started off with clear skies and allowed for longer hang time resulting in optimal quality and taste.

Winemaking: Made predominately from whole cluster Sangiovese grapes grown by the Lanza family, the grapes are picked at low Brix and fermented slowly at a cool temperature and then lightly pressed into stainless steel drums to create a light, crisp texture. In addition to Sangiovese, we also add saignée of Zinfandel – a free-run Zinfandel juice – for layered color and flavor.

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Light-bodied with aromatics of guava, watermelon, cherry blossom, key lime, Bartlett pear, and wet stone, the tartness of this Rosé is pleasing with a gentle touch of savory red wine tannins.





2020 R.W. Moore Vineyard Zinfandel Coombsville, Napa Valley

Historic Hagen Road runs east and west across Napa Valley's Coombsville appellation. Close to the San Pablo Bay, this new AVA (as of 2011) northeast of the city of Napa is gaining widespread recognition for producing many elegant both red and white varieties that speak to the appellation's cool and hilly climate. In the middle of the district lies R.W. Moore, adjacent to Sarcos Creek and west of Mount George. This vineyard was established in 1905 by merchant seafarer – Pleasant Ashley Stevens – and is the oldest Zinfandel vineyard in Coombsville. Current owner Bill Moore purchased the land in the 1980s and began its restoration. Over the years, Bill has sold his grapes to multiple wineries and in 2009, Bill's niece – Molly Hendry – and her husband – Mike Hendry have been using this fruit for their own wine label and have graciously invited Biale to share their fruit.

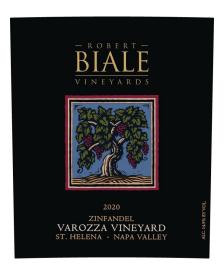
Today, the quality of this vineyard has been appreciated by Z.A.P. (Zinfandel Advocates and Producers) and U.C. Davis's Heritage Vineyard Project. Its genetic heritage is being studied, preserved, and propagated for future generations of winemakers. Bob uses this vineyard selection when planting his new Zinfandel vineyards.

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Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Full-bodied with rich and savory aromatics, this Zinfandel displays flavors of blackberry, blueberry, cocoa, and soy. Balanced with a deep mid-palate of fresh acidity and dusty tannins, this wine will continue to improve over the next 5-7 years.





2020 Varozza Vineyard Zinfandel St. Helena, Napa Valley

If you travel one mile from Old Kraft Vineyard, north of Pratt Avenue, you will find Varozza Vineyard Zinfandel planted near York Creek. Varozza Vineyard is an iconic St. Helena landmark that dates back to 1885. Joseph Varozza, a St. Helena blacksmith, purchased the property in 1913 and started making wine from this site after an accident forced him to retire. During Prohibition, he sold his wine to a local church in order to save his vineyard. After WWII, Joseph's son Harold returned home and continued farming his family's vineyard and selling their fruit to local wineries. Today, Harold's son Jack and wife Dianna, cultivate the land with their son – Jason. Spanning more than a century, five generations of Varozzas have stewarded this land.

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Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Well-structured with aromatics of dark plum, black cherry, cocoa, graham cracker, and cola, this Zinfandel has a creamy texture with layered tannins that build to a long finish.