



2022 Fraternity92 points

"Fermented in stainless steel and aged for 16 months in roughly 40% new oak (a mix of French and a few barrels of American oak), this dynamic blend showcases fruit from across Napa Valley. The Syrah hails from Carneros, the Cabernet Sauvignon from Stags Leap, Oakville, Calistoga, and Coombsville, the Petit Verdot from Oakville, and the Merlot from Carneros, with Malbec sourced from Calistoga. Winemaker Michael Baldacci describes this as his opportunity to craft an exciting and approachable blend, ideal for a pop-and-pour experience or to accompany a meal at home or in a restaurant. It's a snapshot of Napa Valley, reflecting its diverse terroirs. Lush and opulent, the wine is packed with kirsch fruit, spiced plums, and violet and lavender aromatics, underscored by hints of brown sugar. On the palate, it's full-bodied, showcasing the warmth and generosity of the vintage. Firm, iron-scented tannins provide structure, while bay laurel, sage, and mint notes mark the long finish."

- Jonathan Cristaldi

Decanter