ROBERT CRAIG WINERY



2020 AFFINITY ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

The 2020 Affinity is an estate grown, single vineyard selection from La Londe Vineyard in Coombsville's Mt. George foothills just south of Stag's Leap. Our primary mission at Robert Craig Winery is to produce wines that feature pure site expression, and the soul of Affinity has always come from La Londe Vineyard, where the vines struggle in stony soils to yield a tiny 3.5 tons per acre with tremendous focus and intensity. Affinity is not an "entry level" Cabernet selection from our winery. It receives the same care and attention in the winery and vineyard as our mountain grown selections, yet the farming cost is lower due to the accessible nature of the site.

You'll find the signature Coombsville roasted coffee bean, anise, dusty cherry and a touch of cigar box rising from the glass and flowing in the center of the palate. This is an explosive wine that is a bit constrained on release. A number of months in a dark, quiet place will yield wonderful results. Affinity rarely gets the respect it deserves because of the price point, but it is truly one of the great collectibles released in the Napa Valley each year.

VINEYARD

- Just south of Stag's Leap, nestled in Coombsville's Mt. George Foothills on the eastern side of the Napa Valley.
- La Londe estate vineyard has produced exceptional Cabernet Sauvignon for our portfolio since Bob Craig purchased the property in 1993.
- The hillside, cane-pruned site bears just 3.5 tons per acre.
- 30-year-old vines allow a rare display of the volcanic, stony soils in the finished wines.
- Grapes are small, deeply black flavored, and undeniably racy with a big backbone of acidity.

VINTAGE

- The 2020 vintage was going along perfectly in the Napa Valley until late season fires disrupted everything.
- Cabernet ripened slowly and evenly in the moderate summer after an unusually cold and wet spring in Coombsville.
- We harvested a first pass that yielded classic, structured Cabernet and Merlot with tiny bunches gently destemmed
- There was to be no second pass unfortunately due to the fires, so our 2020 Affinity production is tinv.

BLEND 86% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, 4% Malbec

HARVEST DATE September 26, 2020

TA 6.2g/L PH 3.72 ALCOHOL 14.8%

BARREL AGING 20 mo. French oak; 20% new. Unfiltered & unfined.

BOTTLING DATE July 6, 2022 CASES PRODUCED 1818

PRICE CA SRP \$76.00