

Trefethen

2021 CABERNET FRANC

The dedication of the Trefethen family is manifest in every aspect of our operation, from the soil to the table, including sustainable farming, thoughtful winemaking, and gracious hospitality.

THE VINTAGE

The preceding winter, which marked our second consecutive drought year, featured the lowest rainfall total in our entire history, going back to 1968. The vines grew vigorously during the warm and dry spring as the vineyard team did an excellent job with early weed control and irrigation. The summer months, from June through September, were all cooler than average, which slowed down the ripening process and allowed for fantastic flavor development. The yields were lower than usual, given the drought conditions, but the resulting wines are all excellent and reflect our unique location in the Oak Knoll District at the cooler southern end of Napa Valley.

THE WINE

Rich aromas of cherry and black pepper are balanced with earthy notes of clove and black tea. On the palate, silky tannins dance with flavors of raspberry and carry through to a lively, prolonged finish.

FOOD AFFINITIES

Winery Chef Chris Kennedy recommends pairing this wine with game meat and root vegetables, which will accentuate its earthy tones. To highlight its berry notes, try incorporating ingredients such as fig, cherry or cooked dark fruits.

91 POINTS

James Suckling



VARIETAL
100% Cabernet Franc

APPELLATION
Oak Knoll District of Napa Valley

ESTATE VINEYARD
100% Main Ranch

HARVEST
September 11 - 17

OAK
18 months

ALCOHOL
13.7%



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