

VINTAGE NOTES | 2021



VINTAGE 2021: This vintage brought with it a huge sigh of relief and many smiles to grape growers and winemakers throughout the valley. After the smoke filled 2020 vintage and the "heat dome" events in the summer of 2021, we wondered what was next! Thankfully, the heat events seemed to do little damage and, in fact, appeared to have killed off any mildew issues that may have been there. The early rains in September refreshed the vines and the fruit started coming in mid September perfectly clean, ripe and full of flavor. Reminiscent of 2012, the nights were very cool creating wines with balanced acidity, big aromatics and delicious full flavors. Yields were somewhat smaller than expected, but that only adds to the intensity of color and structure of the wines. An added benefit to this vintage was all the happy people so energized to harvest and create beautiful wines again. That must transfer to the wines themselves!