

PITAGORA

2021 SONOMA COUNTY ▲ RED WINE BLEND

HISTORY

When Francis Coppola's grandfather, Agostino, was a child growing up in the small town of Bernalda, in southern Italy, he often played among the ancient Greek ruins in nearby Metaponto, where thousands of years earlier stood a school run by the legendary Greek scholar Pythagoras – Pitagora in Italian. Known today for his mathematical theorem ($a^2 + b^2 = c^2$), Pythagoras was more than a mathematician; he was a philosopher who sought new ways of understanding the world through mathematics, astronomy, and music theory. Growing up in the footprint of this legend, Agostino developed a talent for mathematics and music, and his Pythagorean curiosity about the nature of how things work went on to influence each generation of the Coppola family.

SONOMA COUNTY

The composition of this blend reflects varietals grown in different nested appellations of Sonoma County. Each varietal and nested appellation adds unique characteristics to the finished wine. This vintage highlights Syrah's rich flavors and tannins. Petit Verdot contributes a deep inky color, with floral and fruity aromatics. High elevation Malbec balances the blend with bright, juicy, fresh fruit notes.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The 2021 vintage started off cold and dry. When bloom came around, Sonoma County saw record heat spikes along with windy, cold weather. These inconsistent weather patterns led to a lighter crop overall. Late summer had optimal weather conditions, which were perfect for grape ripening and developing phenolic concentration and flavor. Overall, 2021 was a nice harvest that resulted in beautiful, concentrated wines.

TASTING NOTES

The nose opens with enticing aromas of mixed wild berry jam, accompanied by delicate notes of light baking spice and cocoa powder, mingling gracefully, and adding depth and complexity. Subtle floral hints of violets elegantly weave through the background. On the palate, luscious flavors of ripe black cherry and brambly blackberry create a harmonious balance with hints of clove. Medium structure and firm tannins add depth to the profile, culminating in a long, juicy finish.



WINEMAKING ANALYSIS

Appellation: Sonoma County
Blend: 47.3% Syrah, 29.6% Petit Verdot, 20.3% Malbec,
1.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1.3% Other
Alcohol: 14.5%
Total Acid: .59g/100ml
pH: 3.63
Barrel Regimen: 18 months in 40% new French oak