



## 2017 HERTELENDY AUDÈRE RED BLEND NAPA VALLEY

The 2017 Audère is comprised of our ultra premium Rockwell Ridge estate vineyard fruit (planted in 1993 at 1365 feet, 35 ft below the Howell Mountain AVA) in addition to Atlas Peak, Pritchard Hill, and Howell Mountain fruit.

<i>Release Date</i>	November 1, 2021
<i>Varietal Composition</i>	42% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Merlot, 22% Petit Verdot, 11% Malbec, & 1% Cabernet Franc
<i>Harvest Dates</i>	September 7, 2017 — October 7, 2017
<i>Cooperage</i>	23 months in 90% new French & Hungarian oak
<i>2017 Growing Season</i>	2017 was a great vintage overall where record-setting winter rains ended our 5 year drought. A lengthy, moderately warm summer created idyllic conditions for density, ripeness, and concentration. However, we lost 50% of our total yield to the fires.
<i>Alcohol %</i>	14.8
<i>Cases Produced</i>	239
<i>Winemakers</i>	Ralph Hertelendy & Phillip Corallo-Titus



### CRITIC'S REVIEWS

*"The 2017 'Audere' is a fantastic wine which is composed of a blend of 42% Cabernet Sauvignon, 24% Merlot, 12% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec and Cabernet Franc. It begins with inviting aromas of blackberries, black cherries and black raspberries which are joined by spices, melted licorice, wet gravel and earthy nuances all taking shape. On the palate this is full-bodied, seamless and layered with gorgeous dark fruits. It goes on to display wonderful overall balance and concentration all they way through the long, graceful finish. This is very approachable today, but there is no reason to wait to enjoy it, that said it also has the potential to age beautifully.." — 95 Points, International Wine Report*

*"Made from a majority of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Petit Verdot, then aged 23 months in mostly new French and Hungarian oak, this is an earthy and savory wine. Cedar, pencil shaving, currant and dried herb mix within a hugely concentrated and structured frame of bold berry fruit and ongoing intensity.." — 93 Points, Virginie Boone, Wine Enthusiast*