



2020 HERTELENDY AUDÈRE RED BLEND NAPA VALLEY

The 2020 Audère Red Blend is comprised of our ultra premium Rockwell Ridge estate vineyard (planted in 1993 at 1365 feet, 35 ft below the Howell Mountain AVA) in addition to Coombsville, Atlas Peak, & Silverado Bench fruit.

<i>Release Date</i>	January 2024
<i>Varietal Composition</i>	77% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, 8% Cabernet Franc, 2% Malbec, 1% Petit Verdot.
<i>Harvest Dates</i>	September 25, 2020 — October 20, 2020
<i>Cooperage</i>	23 months in 90% new French & Hungarian oak
<i>2020 Growing Season</i>	2020 began with another mild, dry winter which led to earlier than average budbreak. It was a temperamental season with warm summer days and cool nights. We began picking before the Glass Fire started and once it began, we sourced fruit from the furthest Southern point away from the fires in Napa (in Coombsville).
<i>Alcohol %</i>	14.6
<i>Cases Produced</i>	349
<i>Winemakers</i>	Ralph Hertelendy & Phillip Corallo-Titus

VINTNER'S COMMENTS

TEXSOM Silver Medal Winner

Audère (Latin)—To Dare! To Risk! To Venture! Audère dares the senses to experience the rich harmony between boldness and elegance. Indulge in risk!

The 2020 'Audere' Red Blend is a success in this vintage. As this slowly unwinds in the glass it begins to release aromas black cherries, cassis and hints of black raspberries which are accented by spices, roasted coffee, wild herbs, iron and hints of licorice. On the palate this possesses a full body with a nicely structured backbone, supported by well-integrated tannins that are round and velvety. This goes on to display notable concentration with an expressive character, showing plenty of dark cherries, spices, iron and a touch of crushed gravel that take it through the finish. The 2020 'Audere' will be open for business on release but should also offer a drinking window that could span over a decade. This evolves beautifully with air, so be sure to allow it some time in the decanter if approaching on release. — International Wine Report, 93 Points

CAUTION: Do not be alarmed by this glow-in-the-dark label! It is not radioactive, but it may still blow your mind!

