

Hertelendy Vineyards

Audere Red Blend

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: USA - CA

REGION: Napa County

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

CEPAGE: 43% Cabernet Sauvignon, 43% Merlot, 10% Cabernet Franc, 3% Malbec, 1% Petit Verdot

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 14.6%

AGING: 23 months in 90% new French & Hungarian oak

ANNUAL PRODUCTION: 353 Cases

THE STORY

Hertelendy wines represent our Old-World family winemaking traditions that began over 300 years ago. We specialize in producing Bordeaux varietals from volcanic terroir, including Pritchard Hill, Atlas Peak, and our very own 4+ acre, 1365 ft elevation "Rockwell Ridge" estate vineyard (35 ft below the Howell Mountain AVA) planted in 1993.

PHILOSOPHY: Vintner Ralph Hertelendy and consultant Phillip Corallo-Titus (from Chappellet & Titus), collaborate to craft these beautiful wines. They push the envelope with their winemaking techniques in the pursuit of elegance, purity, and complexity. Hertelendy's red wines barrel age in 90% new French and Hungarian oak for 23 months, whites barrel age for 19 months, and all wines are then bottle-aged another year before release.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Inviting and decadent

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Ripe blackberries, black cherries, currants, and earthy tobacco

MOUTHFEEL: Concentrated with well polished tannins

THE SELLING POINTS

AWARDS: 94pts International Wine Report, 93pts Jeb Dunnuck

PAIRINGS: Beef Wellington, Lamb chops with pomegranate glaze, Grilled Octopus with black olive tapenade

