BLACKBIRD VINEYARDS

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WINEMAKER: *Aaron Pott and Daniel Dycus*

2021 CONTRARIAN NAPA VALLEY PROPRIETARY RED WINE

The 2021 Contrarian delivers bold flavors of blackberry, plum, and black currant, complemented by toffee, violet, and grilled steak. Earthy notes of mushroom, tobacco, and roast meat deepen the profile, while milk chocolate and black licorice add richness. It finishes with plum, black cherry, chocolate, and tobacco, with firm tannins that ensure aging potential.

BLEND:	*85% Cabernet Savingon, 5% Cabernet Franc, 6% Petit Verdot, 4% Merlot*
HARVEST:	*Fall 2021*
RELEASE:	*Fall 2024*
BARREL REGIME:	*21 months in French oak barrels - 50% new, 50% seasoned*
ALCOHOL:	*14.1% Alcohol*
PRODUCTION:	*9 barrels*
OPTIMUM DRINKING:	*2024 - 2039*
PRICE:	*$165.00 per 750ml bottle*

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Each wine in the portfolio is a true example of Blackbird's ongoing commitment to quality by partnering with a selection of Napa Valley's most prestigious vineyards.

Stagecoach Vineyard - *Atop the Vaca Mountains south of Pritchard Hill, the rocky, volcanic terroir of the Stagecoach Vineyard produces intense Merlot and Cabernet Franc.*

Birds Nest Vineyard - *For the first time ever, Contrarian features Blackbird Vineyards Estate Vineyard, The Birds Nest. Perched on a hillside just past Pritchard Hill, the vines have beautiful sun exposure and are meticulously hand farmed, resulting in peak quality Cabernet Savingon.*

Star Vineyard - *Located in the heart of the legendary Rutherford appellation, Star Vineyard is one of Napa Valley's most celebrated spots for grape growing. Between the high sun exposure and well-drained, alluvial soils, the fruit is a perennial contender for our best wines.*

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Contrarian flies in the face of our own conventions. Emboldened by Cabernet Sauvignon, Contrarian possesses Blackbird's signature aromatic richness alongside bold tannins that draw a striking contrast to the rest of the flock.

Vive les différences...

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