BLACKBIRD VINEYARDS

PARAMOUR

WINEMAKER: *Aaron Pott*

2022 PARAMOUR PROPRIETARY RED WINE

"Blueberry, blackberry, raspberry, and black cherry, cedar, tobacco, and sous bois. Plum, blueberry, and strawberry on the attack with plenty of fine-grain tannin for aging. This wine finishes with great length with blueberry, cedar, and cherry that seemingly linger forever. This wine has perfect balance and freshness." - Aaron Pott, Winemaker

"Black-fruited aromas of blackcurrants, mulberry bush, dried herbs, and wet stones. A very precise and polished blend." - James Suckling, 95 pts

BLEND:	73% Cabernet Franc, 20% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Petit Verdot
HARVEST:	Fall 2022
RELEASE:	Fall 2025
BARREL REGIME:	21 months in French Oak Barrels, 50% new 50% seasoned
ALCOHOL:	14.1%
OPTIMUM DRINKING:	2025-2040
PRODUCTION:	10 Barrels

VINEYARDS

SHIFFLETT VINEYARD - *A steep hillside vineyard in Yountville facing into the southeast. Great exposure in a cold region. Beautiful Cabernet Franc from old heritage clones creates wines of sculpted beauty and finesse.*

STAR VINEYARD - *Located in the heart of the Rutherford appellation, Star Vineyard gets wonderful sun exposure, which creates powerful Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Merlot.*

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

THE BIRDS NEST - *High altitude organically farmed vineyard composed of thin loamy soils of volcanic origin. These well-drained vineyards command a view of Lake Hennessy and the Napa Valley beyond. The natural moderating influence of the lake assures the ideal ripeness of these wines.*

BLACKBIRD NAMESAKE VINEYARD - *Located in the Oak Knoll District, Blackbird's estate vineyard, with clay soils underlaid by gravel, is an ideal site for Merlot. The region's cool nights preserve acidity in the fruit, providing natural balance.*

GAMBLE VINEYARDS - *Classic Bale Clay Loam vineyard on the valley floor in Oakville's bench land area. This well-drained rocky clay loam produces wines of incredible density and distinctive suppleness with tannins as smooth as velvet.*

FONTANELLA VINEYARDS - *Where the heights of Mt. Veeder meet the cold climate of Carneros. These wines are incredibly tannic as youngsters, but with age produce wines that can only be described as ethereal.*

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