



FOLDED HILLS

# 2021 "21" GRENACHE

## THE WINE

"21" is a special cuvée of seven barrels of estate-grown grapes sourced from three of our Grenache vineyard blocks. This 2021 vintage is a revamp of our original "21", which was named in honor of our youngest son Nick's 21st birthday in 2017. Unlike Nick's palate, this wine soars with complexity and refinement, and we are proud to share it with you.

Made from a selection of the finest Grenache blocks in the Folded Hills vineyards, each meticulously farmed by grower Ruben Solorzano. Together, winemaker Michael Brughelli and Ruben selected the optimum picking time for each site. After harvest, the fruit is carefully de-stemmed. In order to add another layer of spice and structure, a portion of whole cluster is retained and foot tread. The wine was aged for 21 months in 100% neutral French oak, to enhance texture and depth, without overwhelming the subtle flavor of the site.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

VINTAGE:	2021
GRAPE VARIETIES:	100% Grenache
REGION:	Santa Ynez Valley
ALCOHOL:	14.1%
pH LEVEL:	3.58

## TASTING NOTES

Aromas of blackberry and blood orange give way to a full mid-palate showcasing black pepper, lavender, and clove spice.

## WINEMAKING

PROCESSING:	85% de-stemmed, 15% whole cluster, foot-tread
ÉLEVAGE:	21 months in 100% neutral French oak

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In making Folded Hills wines, our goal is to respect the land, and through the wines, express its unique voice. With as little interference as possible, we let the grapes speak for themselves. We strive to craft beautiful wines with a focus on purity and use old-world practices in our certified organic vineyards. We consciously handcraft small-batch artisanal wines, using no commercial additives and the smallest amount of sulfur; just enough to preserve the wine. Folded Hills wines contain no residual sugar and use only native yeasts that occur naturally in the vineyard. It's all part of our promise to make wine in an honest, time-honored way.

## DETAILS

BOTTLING DATE:	July 12, 2023
RELEASE DATE:	September 5, 2023
SRP:	\$60

