

Fait-Main

Tierra Roja Vineyard

Benoit connected with the Tierra Roja Vineyard through a chain of friendships, patiently nurtured over time. This historic site on the east side of Oakville is neighbored by Dalla Valle, Rudd, and Screaming Eagle, but until now, it has been available only to the grower herself – Linda Neal – and one other winery.

Originally planted to vine in the 1920s by the Denatale family, the property came into its own under Linda Neal's stewardship. Linda and her family ran a Napa Valley vineyard management company for many years, and she terraced the steep, sloping hillsides and replanted with Cabernet Sauvignon in the late '80s. The red volcanic soils that inspire the vineyard's name are rich in iron and rock, producing intense dark fruit with long, silky tannins.

With this exceptional vintage, we are thrilled to unveil our latest collaboration with the renowned painter, Hunt Slonem**.** His extraordinary artistry has inspired a series of beautiful bespoke labels for our newest Fait-Main releases. These captivating, specially commissioned designs will grace our single-vineyard wines this year, reflecting our deep commitment to craftsmanship and authenticity. My vision for custom-crafted Fait-Main wine bottles wouldn't be complete without them

Vintage Notes

Heralded as "the vintage of a lifetime," Napa Valley's 2023 growing season was one of the longest in at least a decade. Healthy rainfall in winter and spring replenished reservoirs and soils for a perfect budbreak. Mild summer temperatures supported excellent growth through bloom and set, with maximal color development in reds. As the season progressed into October and November, the cooler temperatures allowed us to wait for each cluster to reach optimal ripeness. This patience and precision resulted in a harvest that positions 2023 as an extraordinary vintage, defined by quality, elegance, and purity.

Tasting Notes

The 2023 Fait-Main Tierra Roja Cabernet Sauvignon delivers an opulent rush of red fruit, blackcurrant and cherry unfolds across the palate, layered with refined accents of licorice and dark chocolate. A great density is lifted by a natural sweetness, balanced by fresh acidity and silky, finely woven tannins. Concentrated and graceful, the wine carries its richness with ease, tapering into a long, luxurious finish of dark chocolate. and mocha.

Cabernet Sauvignon, Tierra Roja Vineyard

14.6 % ABV	75 % new French Oak
2023 vintage	$260 SRP

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