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WINEMAKING AT LYNFRED WINERY

CELLAR REPORT

Lynfred Winery



September 2022 in the Cellar

Harvest 2022

We have processed 50% of the grapes of this Harvest 2022. Merlot and Zinfandel from Lodi, California have finished the fermentation, and we are more than happy with the results. From these gorgeous fully ripened grapes we got full-bodied and concentrated wines.

We're coming into the home stretch now, and the end of harvest is now very much in sight! We have finished the Tempranillo and Petite Sirah from Clarksburg, California, and our growers from Lodi, California are beginning to open the blocks of Cabernet Franc and Petite Verdot. Our last grapes will be Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah, and Malbec from Kamiak Vineyards in Pasco, Washington. We will be "crushing" these beauties by mid of October. Stay tuned!

Fruits

September was a productive month for fruit wines. Throughout the month of September, the cellar smelled like a Cornucopia filled with all kinds of delicious fruits. We fermented Cherries, Blackberries, Raspberries, Plums, and Blueberries. We especially loved those 7 tons of Stanley plums from Michigan. Juicy, sweet, and delicious, these plums have a rich flavor and are perfect to produce another gorgeous Plum wine.

Cranberry

We bottled another batch of our Lynfred Winery Cranberry wine. This new release has aromas and flavors

of ripe and tart cranberries, plums, flowers & herbs. Thanksgiving is just around the corner, and the wine is ready to be enjoyed.

Chardonnay 2021

During the month of September, we also bottled a limited production of our Lynfred Winery Chardonnay Vintage 2021. Grapes from Clarksburg, California. This elegant wine shows the aromas and flavors of tropical fruits, pineapple, citrus blossoms, pie crust, and melon.

To add a "touch" of elegance and complexity, we fermented the juice in French oak, but to preserve the fruitiness and freshness of the variety the aging was conducted in stainless steel. During the aging, we made batonnages twice a month. Batonnage is the process of stirring the fine lees remaining in the unfinished wine to give it a creamier texture. We obtained a very well-balanced Chardonnay, with the creamy taste and refreshing fruitiness that Chardonnay's lovers are looking for. This wine will be released to our club members on November 1st, 2022.

Carmenere 2021

By mid-September, we bottled our unique and exclusive Lynfred Winery Carmenere 2021. These grapes are grown in the beautiful Curico Valley of Chile. This wine expresses intense aromas and flavors of blackberry, plums, bell pepper, vanilla, paprika, and peppercorn. The perfect pairing with grilled meats with Chimichurri and juicy meat empanadas!

Carmenere is a wine-grape variety originally from Bordeaux, France. This dark-skinned variety disappeared in European vineyards in the mid-19th century and reappeared between the Merlot vines in Chile 100 years later. Chile's exceptional climatic conditions and winemaking culture allowed this country to be the largest and most prestigious producer around the world of this unique variety. This wine will be released to our club members on November 1st, 2022.

Saludos from the Cellar,
Rodrigo Gonzalez
Head Winemaker

