





2021 MUSCAT HAMBURG

Carmel Valley AVA, Joullian Vineyard

There are many sweet wines, each having their perfect time and place to drink them. Think port or sherry after a nice meal. We wanted to create a dessert wine with lively fruit expression balance and finesse. Muscat tends to be an obvious choice since it has intense floral notes, with a nutty finish and sweetness to boot. Muscat is a unique variety in that it can range in flavor profile between each of the few hundred types of clones that exist (there are hundreds!). In 2021, we worked with a special clone called Muscat Hamburg or Black Muscat, which is not widely planted in the USA. Being a red variety, the color of the wine is slightly tinted due to the limited skin time while being pressed into juice. We fermented the wine in the tank before stopping the fermentation with just the right amount of residual sugar in the tank. The wine was fortified with brandy to bring balance to this fun wine. This wine will be a great addition to an after-dinner cheese board or, if you're willing, step out of your comfort zone with your next Sunday pancake feast. Expect flavors of rose petals, honeysuckle, and raspberry.

Alc. by Vol: 10.2%

Residual Sugar: 110 g/L

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