

FIFTYROW

2021 SUISUN VALLEY
WHEELHOUSE VINEYARD CHARBONO



Vineyard

Brian Babcock's Wheelhouse Vineyard is in the Suisun Valley, a stone's throw from the eastern edge of the Napa Valley, where the hot days lead to cool nights. This is perfect for a varietal like Charbono. Once the most grown varietal in Napa, it is now cultivated in minuscule quantities in Calistoga and just outside the Napa Valley by growers like the Babcock's.

Starting with hand sorting and punch downs, we did 50% whole cluster fermentation before aging in French barrels for 12 months.

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Tasting Notes

The 2021 Charbono is a mouthful of wine without the big tannins. Aromas of black fruits, cocoa, and currants and graphite followed by rich layers of dark fruits, cocoa, graphite, and a natural acidity that ends in a long finish with super fine tannins. It starts off super bright, but with a little time in your glass, quickly becomes a dark and full-bodied wine. Beautifully balanced, it can be paired with a wide variety of food.

Varietal: 100% Charbono

Appellation: 100% Suisun Valley, Wheelhouse Vineyard

Alcohol Content: 12.9%

Barrel Description: 100% French Barrels, 20% New

Cellar Potential: 10-12 years