

# Bevan Cellars



We are excited to share these incredible new scores and reviews from Lisa Perrotti-Brown of The Wine Independent for our 2021 single vineyard Napa Valley Cabernets and Bordeaux blends and our 2021 Sonoma County Pinot Noirs. With **twelve new scores from 94 to 100**, we are thrilled with how the wines showed!

These scores were part of a The Wine Independent **Spotlight article featuring Russell**, entitled "The Stampeding Rose". LPB starts the article by saying, "What's the opposite of a shrinking violet? A stampeding rose? Whatever it is, that's Russell Bevan. Larger than life and known for his pedal-to-the-metal winemaking style, Russell is also an incredibly creative and meticulous winemaker with a keen nose for singular vineyard sites."



**2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, Beckstoffer Dr. Crane Vineyard, Napa Valley *100 Points - releasing January 2024***

"Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2021 Dr. Crane Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon knocks it out of the park with creme de cassis, redcurrant jelly, and warm plums plus hints of lavender, graphite, crushed rocks, and raspberry leaves. The full-bodied palate features super-ripe fine-grained tannins and seamless freshness to support the bright, multi-layered fruit, finishing long and classically minerally."

**2021 Proprietary Red Wine, Sugarloaf Mountain, Napa Valley *99 Points***

"The 2021 Sugarloaf Mountain Vineyard Proprietary Red, 55% Cabernet Franc and 45% Merlot, is deep garnet-purple in color. It leaps out of the glass with vivacious notes of red and black plums, redcurrant jelly, and kirsch followed by hints of rose oil, dried lavender, and underbrush with a touch of Sichuan pepper. The full-bodied palate has electric tension and shimmery red and black fruit layers framed by plush tannins, leading to a long and perfumed finish on this beautiful wine."

**2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, Curmudgeon, Napa Valley *98 Points - releasing January 2024***

"The 2021 Curmudgeon Cabernet Sauvignon is deep garnet-purple in color. It pops from the glass with vibrant, fruity notes of fresh blackcurrants and blackberries followed by hints of raspberries, forest floor, and pencil shavings plus a touch of lilacs. Full, rich, and impactful, it has a solid frame of ripe, grainy tannins and oodles of freshness, finishing with a provocative lift."

**2021 Red Wine, EE, Napa Valley *98 Points***

"Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2021 EE Red comes prancing out of the glass with gregarious scents of black cherry compote, blueberry pie, and blackcurrant jelly with suggestions of dried mint, dusty soil, and underbrush. The full-bodied palate is bursting with black fruit preserves layers and earthy accents, supported by firm, grainy tannins and beautiful tension, finishing long and fragrant."

**2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, Sentinel Ridge Vineyard, Howell Mountain *98 Points***

"The 2021 Sentinel Ridge Cabernet Sauvignon is deep garnet-purple in color. A little subdued to start, it needs some coaxing to bring out notes of crushed blackberries and blackcurrants plus wafts of violets, wild sage, and mossy tree bark. The full-bodied palate has wonderful energy and depth, with firm, fine-grained tannins and a lively line, finishing long and ferrous."

**2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, Tench Vineyard, Oakville *97 Points***

"Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2021 Tench Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon comes barreling out of the glass with notes of crushed blackcurrants, black raspberries, and chocolate-covered cherries giving way to hints of charcoal, garrigue, and cast-iron pan. The full-bodied palate delivers a super taut backbone of ripe, firm tannins and lovely freshness to support the muscular black fruits, finishing long and minerally."

**2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, The Calixtro, Tench Vineyard, Oakville *97 Points***

"The 2021 Tench Vineyard The Calixtro Cabernet Sauvignon is deep garnet-purple in color. Notes of mulberries, boysenberries, and creme de cassis jump from the glass followed by hints of wild sage, iron ore, and espresso. The full-bodied palate is built like a brick house with firm, grainy tannins and seamless freshness, finishing on a persistent mineral note. This comes from a plot that always has a lower pH than the rest of the vineyard, so it gets bottled separately."

**2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, Wildfoote Vineyard Vixen Block, Stags Leap District *97 Points - releasing January 2024***

"The 2021 Wildfoote Vineyard Vixen Block Cabernet Sauvignon is deep garnet-purple in color. It needs a little swirling to unleash a barrage of blackcurrant jelly, plum preserves, and Indian spices leading to suggestions of pencil lead, crushed rocks, and tar. The full-bodied palate has a rock solid frame of grainy tannins and just enough freshness, finishing long and earthy."

**2021 Cabernet Sauvignon, Tin Box Vineyard, Oakville *96 Points***

"Deep garnet-purple in color, the 2021 Tin Box Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon flies out of the glass with energetic notes of blueberry pie, black cherry cordial, and warm cassis plus hints of menthol, tapenade, spice cake, and dried lavender. The full-bodied palate is concentrated and powerful, with mouth-coating black fruit preserves and a velvety texture, finishing long and spicy."

**2021 Pinot Noir, 1376', Sonoma Coast *95 Points***

"The 2021 Elevation 1376 Pinot Noir is medium to deep ruby-purple in color. Dark

chocolate, aniseed, and violets spring from the glass leading to a core of black cherry compote, fresh blackberries, and wild blueberries. The full-bodied palate has magnetic tension and firm, grainy tannins supporting the vibrant black and blue fruits, finishing long and fragrant."

**2021 Pinot Noir, 2114', Sonoma Coast *95 Points***

"Medium to deep ruby-purple in color, the 2021 Elevation 2114 Pinot Noir opens with a gorgeous perfume of cranberry preserves, Morello cherries, and mulberries followed by hints of red roses, cinnamon toast, and iron ore. The full-bodied palate is bright and energetic, with fine-grained tannins and a lively line, finishing on a lingering ferrous note."

**2021 Pinot Noir, Petaluma Gap *94 Points***

"The 2021 Pinot Noir Petaluma Gap comes from a vineyard planted with Calera and Swan clones. Medium to deep ruby-purple in color, it needs a swirl or two to unlock notes of black raspberries, kirsch, pomegranate, and wild blueberries, opening out to hints of clove oil and damp soil. The full-bodied palate is chock full of expressive red and black fruits, supported by satiny tannins and plenty of freshness, finishing on an earthy note."



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