

2011 FLORIANNA CABERNET FRANC

FREDIANI VINEYARD



THE WINE:

91% Cabernet Franc, 5% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Sauvignon. Total production is 187 cases. Winemaker Paul Smith. Barrel aged in 50% new and 50% 2-3 year old French oak barrels.

THE ESTATE:

The Frediani Vineyard was planted in 1900 by the grandfather of its current owner Jim Frediani. Located at the Northern end of Napa Valley on Pickett road in Calistoga this property has earned the reputation as one of Napa Valley's prized vineyards. Sitting at the base of Mt. St. Helena the soil is of a volcanic origin with a rocky, golden alluvial soil. The non-irrigated vines are exceptionally low-yielding and hand-cared for by the Frediani family.

TASTING NOTES:

Color: Bright garnet with ruby.

Aromas: Sweet red currants, cassis, white chocolate and hints of cinnamon.

Flavors: Juicy, ripe red fruit with cherry pie-like flavors enhanced by notes of vanilla, herbs and raspberry. Silky tannins and balanced acidity allow for young drinking.

Food Pairing: Roast duck with a honey-cherry demi-glace.

~ Drink now through 2021~