### **Pott Wine**

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Name: Agnès Sorel

Vintage: **2022** 

Varietal: 100% Cabernet Franc

Source: Pott Art! Vineyard

Appellation: Mount Veeder, Napa Valley
Of note: No added sulfur natural wine

Retail (Strict!): \$195

Production: 110 cases

"The purest expression of what our mountain vineyard has to give."

Agnès Sorel is a no-added-sulfur, natural wine of organically grown Cabernet Franc from Mt. Veeder. Fermented in open top wooden vats and aged in a combination of French oak barrels and terracotta amphorae.

Violet, porcini, forest floor, black currant, Boysenberry, black licorice, raspberry and smoked duck. The attack is super layered and massive with velvety tannins in the mid palate, umeboshi plum, toffee, black currant cascade in waves amongst the velvet density the wine finishes beautifully with plum, cherry, truffle and black licorice.

### Vineyards

- At an altitude of about 1500 feet the vineyards get the most out of Mt. Veeder's natural air-conditioning (fog and onshore breeze).
- The soils are seafloor uplift; a well-drained crumbly layer cake of sandstones and shale.
- Vineyard faces east to avoid the ferocious late afternoon sun.
- The vineyard is farmed organically and teams with beneficial biodiversity above and below the ground, we even brew our own "compost teas" to give the soil microbiome a refreshing boost of nutrients.
- Cool soil, porous rock that doesn't give off heat at night.



#### Winemaking

- Estate Cabernet Franc grown organically from the ground up.
- As with all other Pott wines, it's fermented in open top Burgundian tanks.
- BUT no added sulfur....
- Then transferred to amphora for ageing.
- Amphorae are a neutral vessel so they allow the purest expression of the grapes and terroir, but they also permit a little bit more oxygen exchange than a stainless tank which gives the wine its freshness and vivacity.

## Lisa Perrotti-Brown. **96pts** *2021 vintage*

"Offers up savory notes of oolong tea, tar and baked plums with hints of crushed rock and sauteed herbs. The full-bodied palate is lively and refreshing, with vibrant black and red berry layers."

# JamesSuckling.com **94pts** 2021 vintage

"This pure and unadulterated wine has no sulfites added and is made from organically grown grapes. A lightly earthy, herbal aroma leads to deep, potent black fruit, char and graphite flavors on a tannic structure."