

OUTPOST

OUTPOST HOWELL MOUNTAIN
"TRUE VINEYARD" IMMIGRANT
2023

Our Immigrant blend comes entirely from our True Vineyard located at 1,800 feet in elevation. Outpost grapes are harvested late in the season - by hand, at dawn - to preserve the full intensity and distinctive spicy character of the mountain fruit. Wines are neither fined or filtered allowing for the full expression of the vintages' potential.

The vintage

2023 proved to be a stellar vintage for the entire Napa Valley, Howell Mountain in particular. Abundant winter rainfall replenished water reserves, and a cool spring extended budbreak while promoting vigorous vine growth. Although veraison progressed slowly across the valley, the higher elevations of Outpost and True Vineyard, above the fog line, ensured steady and uniform ripening. With no major weather extremes, harvest timing could be carefully controlled, resulting in generally average to above-average yields and outstanding fruit quality. The vintage is marked by dense color, excellent concentration, bright acidity, and finely polished tannins, producing wines that clearly reflect both their vineyards and this remarkable year.

Tasting Notes

"The 2023 Immigrant True Vineyard impresses with its energy and focus. Dark red-toned fruit, mocha, spice, new leather, cedar and dried flowers all race across the palate. Immigrant is the most nuanced of the Outpost 2023s—if that term can be used—but it still packs a pretty serious punch. Positively stellar." *Vinous.com*, Antonio Galloni, 97 Points

"Dark and purple fruit with a lovely aromatic lift. Mulberry, dark chocolate, violet, spice and cherry confit aromas. The palate is silky, with fine-boned tannins and a rounded, slightly mineral finish. A co-fermented blend of 39% cabernet sauvignon, 33% merlot and 28% cabernet franc, showing a cool-vintage touch and plenty of life ahead, though it's drinking well now. Drink or hold." *JamesSuckling.com*, Ryan Montgomery, 96 Points

Technical Information

Blend: 39% Cabernet Sauvignon, 33% Merlot and 28% Cabernet Franc

Ageing: 18 months in 90% new French oak barrels

Production: 244 cases

Winemaker: Thomas Rivers Brown

