#### **B CELLARS** NOTES FROM THE CELLAR

## Kenefick Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

2021

## Vineyard Story



Kenefick Ranch is nestled against a section of the Vaca Mountains known as Rattlesnake Ridge. This wine was crafted as a tribute to the highly acclaimed Kenefick Ranch Vineyard. The vineyard terroir is defined by a massive alluvial fan of rocky bale loam, perfect for growing high quality wine grapes. Tom Kenefick and his viticulture crew meticulously manage and have taken great care of the vineyards over the past decade.

### Winemaker's Notes



Aromas of graphite with notes of blueberry pie and earl grey tea. The palate is expansive with lush flavors of blackberry, boysenberry, and damson plum, leading to undertones of slate and pipe tobacco, leading to mouthwatering tannins.



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## Vintage Notes



The 2021 vintage will be remembered for low yields with intensely-flavored, small-sized berries and a smooth and uneventful harvest season. This years growing season can best be described as a cold start to a warm fast finish. The season started off with very little rain, leading to the 2nd year of drought conditions. Harvest began early with white wine grapes picked in August and some reds started being picked in September. The drought of 2021 resulted in a more natural load on the vines, requiring less pruning and dropping of fruit. The resulting grapes are packed full of flavor. The 2021 vintage will be marked with outstanding and intense flavor profiles.

## Pairing Insights



Try the Kenefick Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon with Chef Derick's Chocolate Creme Brulee. The dark chocolate in the creme brulee helps to mellow the tannin structure in the wine, while letting the fruit shine on this fantastic Cabernet Sauvignon.



