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## 2021 MALBEC 100% ESTATE GROWN

Fruit Source: Abacela's Estate Fault Line Vineyards

Appellation: Umpqua Valley, Southern Oregon AVA

Harvest Date: 8, 15 October 2021

At harvest: Sugar; 23.7° Brix      pH; 3.63      TA; 5.85 grams/liter

At bottling: Sugar; Nil

Cooperage: French (100%), 18% 2-yr old, 82% neutral

Bottling Date: 22 June 2023

Alcohol: 14% by volume

Case Production: 405 (750 mL)

Awards, Ratings & Reviews:

*93 points*, Paul Gregutt

The nose jumps out with gloriously dusty scents of brambly berries and pastry cherries. The cooperage, though neutral, has added just enough barrel spice to complement the fruit. Though Malbec has not been the varietal wine that has made Abacela's reputation, it could certainly be the next groundbreaking success if this is the new standard.

*93 Points*, Decanter Magazine 2023

*95 Points & Double Gold*, 2024 American Fine Wine Competition - The Invitational

*The 14 Best Malbecs for 2024*, Vinepair.com

## TASTING NOTES

This complex full-bodied wine was assembled from our best barrels of Malbec. Aromas of blackberries, chocolate, oak and dried lavender meld with broad tannins and an earthy spice to create both tension and balance in this structured wine.