



# THE PH. D.

## 2021 Howell Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon

### The Numbers

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<b>AVA</b>	Howell Mountain
<b>85%</b>	Cabernet Sauvignon
<b>8%</b>	Petit Verdot
<b>7%</b>	Cabernet Franc
<b>24</b>	Months aging in French oak barrels and bottle
<b>75</b>	Cases Produced
<b>Sept 2025</b>	Release Date
<b>15%</b>	Alcohol by Volume
<b>\$150</b>	Suggested Retail Price

### The Wine

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The Ph.D. represents the pinnacle of our reserve collection — a study in precision, patience, and power. This wine commands attention with aromas of black currant, wild blackberry, and cocoa dust. Notes of graphite, espresso, and mountain herbs emerge as it opens, revealing depth and complexity. The palate is dense yet refined, its firm structure carried by vibrant fruit and polished oak through a long, resonant finish.

*Profound and unapologetic — a master class in mountain Cabernet.*

### Accolades

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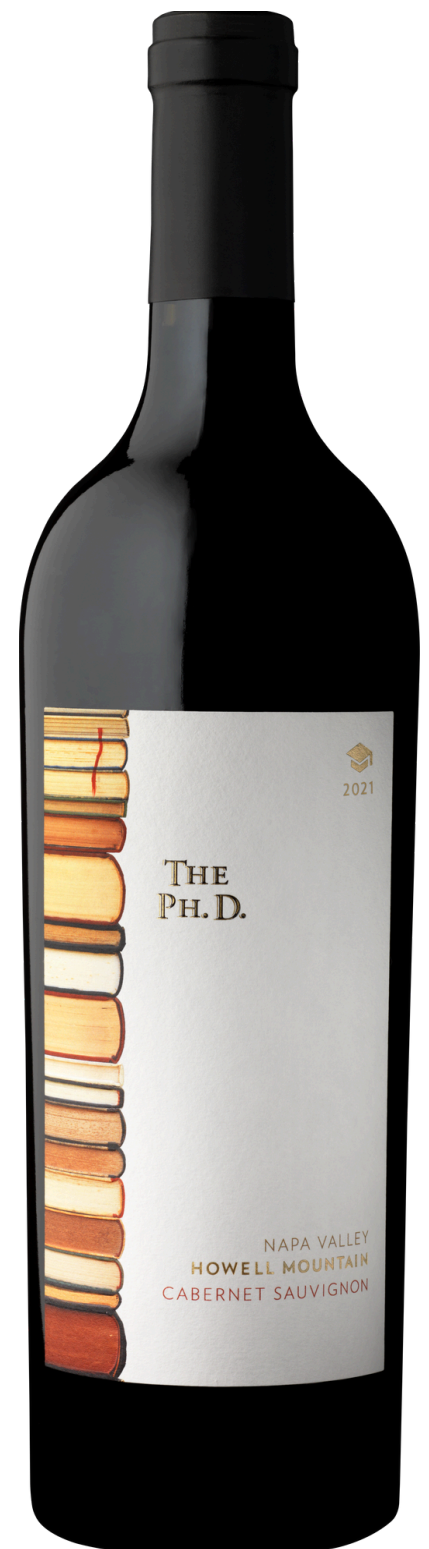
**95-97 POINTS - ROBERT PARKER WINE ADVOCATE | 2016 VINTAGE**

**93 POINTS - WINE ENTHUSIAST | 2018 VINTAGE**

*A big, rich red with blackberries and blackcurrants, as well as some chocolate and walnut undertones. It's full and flavorful.*

**88 POINTS - JEB DUNNUCK | 2021 VINTAGE**

*Plummy and open-knit, with ripe red and black fruits, brambly herbs and spice...medium- to full-bodied with a sweetly fruited, soft mouthfeel and a good finish.*



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