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2024 Calistoga-Napa Valley – Charbono

The Charbono grapes for this wine were sourced again from the old block of the Frediani Vineyard, 100+ years old, which is right down the road here in Calistoga. The old vines produce low yields with the ultimate in flavor concentration. We are once again excited about the fruit from this historic vineyard. Finally, after many years of waiting, we were able to bottle it on its own and in its perfect, singular glory. The first swirl opens up the bouquet which effuses exotic spices, some roasted oak, and fresh dark berries. On the palate it is medium-bodied and well balanced with nice acids.

This wine is savory but also full of vibrant, juicy fruit. Barely-there tannins and bright flavors make this a great red for smooth drinking on any night of the week. We know you want to dive in and take a drink tonight, but with some aging, this wine will be or so rewarding. **150 cases produced**

2020 Ancient Vine Calistoga-Napa Valley Zinfandel

Always one of the staff and customer favorites is our Ancient Vine Zinfandel. Sourced from the Canard Vineyard, this is one of the oldest grapevine plantings (80's) in all of the Napa Valley. The 2020 bottling serves up aromas of raspberry cobbler, spice and mild oak. On the palate, flavors of black raspberry, cherry and spiced plum mix with soft under- tones of white pepper and dark chocolate. The wine now at 6 years of age is so supple, and smooth with amazing complexity and a silky texture. From start to finish, this remarkable wine offers a glimpse into old heritage vines and what an amazing array of flavors they can produce. **120 cases produced**

2024 Dry Creek Valley Cabernet Franc

The 2024 August Briggs Cabernet Franc is our first ever production of this often cherished but misunderstood grape. While often confused with Cabernet Sauvignon, there is no denying this grape is unique and more aromatic than CS with more red fruits and softer tannins. Sourced from the warm Forchini Vineyard in Sonoma's Dry Creek Valley, this climate allows the grapes for our CF to fully ripen and showcase a fruit-forward style that is rich in fruit and hints of spice and earth that adds depth and a lovely savory flavor. While usually used as a blender in California, we found that on its own it offers a wonderful drinking experience.

Pull the cork and you will see a distinct aroma of red berry, ripe plum and hints of dried spice and herbs. It has a mild and dusty backbone with tannins that lead to a finish that lasts and lasts. We hope you enjoy it as much as we do. Buy a few extra and sample every year to see it age gracefully. **98 cases**

Wine Release Information

We are very excited to offer our latest lineup of wines which will get your lips smacking for some incredible wine. After a five year absence of our Charbono, it returns to the club release, as well as a first time ever... Cabernet Franc. In the past we had blended in the CF into our Meritage blend, but after many requests to have a singular bottling, we went ahead and bottled a meager 98 cases. To round out the release there is a new Petite Sirah, a vintage Ancient Vine Zinfandel and Malbec and a new Pinot Blanc. This release is a banger so best to stock up!

IMPORTANT DATES

Allocation Orders - Due by September 25
Wine Club Orders Ship Date - Begin October 5
Wine Club Pickups – Begin October 9
Wine Club Pickup Party – October 25

2026 Club Member Events

These are the remaining 2026 event dates. For more info please contact Matt in the tasting room.

Saturday, September 26

Fall Harvest Celebration Dinner – Mexican Fiesta Dinner

August Briggs Wine Terrace, Calistoga, CA
RSVP by September 20th

Join us as we celebrate the bounty of harvest with our Mexican Fiesta Dinner. The evening will begin with hors d'oeuvres paired with August Briggs wines at 6:00pm. Dinner will then be served at 6:30pm. This feast will include a selection of Mexican delicacies like Chilurrio, Chicken Molé, Chile Rellenos and a variety of tacos. Join us for all the food, fun and wine you can savor. *Call to reserve your spot!*

Sunday, October 25

Fall Club Member Pickup Party,

August Briggs Tasting Room, Calistoga, CA
Local club members, please join us on October 25 to pick up your Fall 2026 club package. We'll taste all of the new releases we will be grilling out on the wine terrace. If you are normally a shipping member but happen to be in town, please notify Matt if you would prefer to pick up your wines. Please note the event hours are 11:00am-4:00pm and food is served from 12-2:30. RSVP required to reserve your spot!

2024 Calistoga-Napa Valley Petite Sirah

Put on your seatbelt cause this wine is going to take you on an unforgettable ride. The 2024 Petite Sirah comes from our old friends the Frediani family, right next to our old winery down the Silverado Trail.

From this vineyard Petite Sirah can perfectly ripen due to the long, warm summers which bring flavor and exuberant fruit flavors that dominate a rich mouthful of wine. Petite Sirah is known for its deep color and powerful flavors and this offering fits the bill. This wine, 100% varietal, has an inky black-purple color, with a nose of blueberries, blackberry jam, toasty oak and earth. A solid blackberry fruit core is framed by earth and spice flavors, with tannins coming in on the finish. This petite sirah has an old school style with a full complement of tannins and a long, thick finish. Order the porter house and call it a night!

Buy a case of this and check back in every 2 years for an incredible drinking experience over the next 15 years. 125 cases

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Online Ordering, Allocation Orders, and Shipping/Pickup Info

A quick note to remind you that you now choose your allocation wines online. If you would like a paper form to add or revise your order please contact us where we can send you an allocation form or download it from our website. Please be on the lookout for an email that will provide you with the necessary information to log in to your account and allow you to choose your additional wine easily and securely. You can place your order and update information such as your credit card and shipping information all online. If you have questions or problems with the website don't worry...we are still here and happy to take your information over the phone. Just keep an eye on your email for these reminders. This is a completely optional purchase and if you just want the club wines no further action is needed.

We will begin shipping club packages the week of October 5, 2026. If your area is experiencing unsafe shipping temperatures your shipment may be delayed. All August Briggs club packages are shipped from a temperature-controlled facility. Please note your shipping rate for four bottles (Sampler Club) and six bottles (Big Club). We recommend shipping to a business where someone can sign for the package as wine can be received only by a person who is 21 years of age or older. It is your responsibility to make sure someone is present to sign for the package. You will be notified via email of your tracking information.

Pickup members will have the wines available beginning on October 9, 2026. Pick up members will have nine months to make arrangements for pick up or we will automatically ship to the address on file at your expense. As always, please contact Matt directly at the winery (707) 942-4912 or via email at matt@augustbriggswinery.com if you have any questions.

2021 Dry Creek Valley Malbec (Big Club)

Malbec, with its origins entrenched in Bordeaux and more recently Argentina, has a home here in California, especially in the great Dry Creek Valley of Sonoma County. Our 2021 Malbec is sourced from the incredible Forchini vineyard located in the upper reaches of Dry Creek Valley. Tinted in deep purple, it delivers black cherry, black currant, oak and blueberry aromas upon first swirl. A bold fruit profile of black cherry, cassis, and cocoa coats the palate with an extraordinarily balanced, full-bodied, and voluptuous texture. Brash yet integrated tannins lead to a refined finish, showcasing a balance between fruit and oak. This has 5 years of age which has softened the wine into a velvet glove. Just delicious. 125 cases

2024 Mendocino Pinot Blanc (Big Club)

This is our tenth release of Pinot Blanc (wow 10 years!) and has now settled into the August Briggs portfolio as one of our favorites and definitely our customer's favorite for white wine enjoyment. We once again purchased the Pinot Blanc grapes from the Nube Bianco Vineyard in the far reaches of northern Mendocino County. This sustainable vineyard has cool nighttime temps and moderate daytime warmth which highlights the brightness of this European styled wine. The color is a light shade of straw with hints of green around the edges. The beauty and enjoyment of this wine is in its sheer simplicity of fruit. The taste is right on target with notes of grapefruit, fresh lychee and tart green apple. There is brightness and finishing acids which make it balanced and clean. Straight forward and easy to drink yet, oh so tasty.



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