

LIONS HEAD

LUXURY COLLECTION

2021

LION TAMER RED BLEND NAPA VALLEY



BORN BOLD IN THE NAPA VALLEY

Lion Tamer is the power of the Napa Valley harnessed. These wines are a pure representation of the winemaker's craft and their ability to tame the unruly tannins of mountain fruit.

The name Lion Tamer has become our nickname for Malbec because we use this grape as a blending variety to tame powerful tannins.

FROM THE CELLAR

“We lead with Malbec in the blend to develop a softness in the tannins, making this a smooth and seamless wine. These mouthwatering tannins surround the palate, framing complex elements of black cherry, blueberry, and boysenberry with subtle notes of milk chocolate. In crafting this wine, our goal is to achieve perfect balance, with the layered fruit notes concentrated in the mid-palate, enveloped by well-integrated elements of baking spice and oak on the lengthy, elegant finish.”

– Stephanie Pope, Winemaker

TECHNOLOGY AND WINEMAKING

Our Lions Head Cellar houses some of the most progressive winemaking technology allowing our winemakers to craft wines of exceptional quality that showcase the distinctive lands they come from. The winemakers leverage tools like our optical sorter, which ensures only the highest quality berries are delivered to the fermentation tanks; and cutting-edge tanks, which facilitate 24/7 monitoring of pumpovers and micro-adjustments to be made throughout the winemaking process.

RESILIENCE IN THE VINEYARD

Vintage 2021 delivered superb results. Spring was marked by occasional rains, which brought welcome soil saturation, and cooler temperatures, allowing fruit to mature at a steady pace. Summer helped the grapevines ripen completely and conditions continued to be almost ideal throughout August and September. The warm days and cool nights of the fall season allowed gradual sugar accumulation and longer hang times, promising fruit of the highest quality with structural beauty. With a slightly later harvest and a smaller crop yield, fruit was picked at its peak, for a small yet mighty vintage promising exceptional flavor in bottle.

BLEND:	61% Malbec 14% Zinfandel 15% Petite Sirah 1% Petit Verdot 9% Merlot
ALCOHOL:	14.9%
PH:	3.77
TA:	0.59 gms/100ml
COOPERAGE:	Aged in 40% New French oak barrels for 17 months
HARVESTED:	Sept. 11 - Oct. 14, 2021

Lions Head Collection is a Certified California Sustainable Winery

