BLACKBIRD VINEYARDS

PARAMOUR

WINEMAKER: *Aaron Pott*

2023 PARAMOUR NAPA VALLEY PROPRIETARY RED WINE

The 2023 vintage in Napa Valley was shaped by a wet winter and a cool, extended growing season with mild temperatures and few heat spikes, allowing grapes to ripen slowly and evenly while retaining natural acidity. The resulting wines show exceptional purity and balance, with vibrant fruit, refined tannins, and a freshness that promises both immediate appeal and long-term aging potential.

Notes of cedar, blueberry pie, violets, black currant, plums, tobacco, cherry, and porcini mushroom. Bright acidity on the palate with a plummy attack. Nice floral and blue fruit with tobacco and cherry in a long finish. This is a medium bodied Paramour with some serious tension that creates a theatrical character. A story that plays out from nose, to palate to finish. - *Aaron Pott*

BLEND:	64% Cabernet Franc, 23% Merlot, 13% Cabernet Sauvignon
HARVEST:	Mid-September to Late October 2023
RELEASE:	Fall 2026
BARREL REGIME:	21 months in French Oak - 50% New
ALCOHOL:	14.6%

VINEYARDS

Each wine in the portfolio is a true example of Blackbirds ongoing commitment to quality by partnering with a selection of Napas finest vineyards.

SHIFFLETT VINEYARD - *A steep hillside vineyard in Yountville facing into the southeast. Great exposure in a cold region. Beautiful Cabernet Franc from old heritage clones creates wines of sculpted beauty and finesse.*

MCGAH VINEYARD - *Located on the eastern benchlands of Rutherford just north of Oakville, McGah Vineyard is a historic 65-acre property that benefits from long afternoon sun, cool evening air, and gravelly red loam soils that provide superb drainage and low fertility conditions ideal for producing fruit of concentration and purity.*

THE BIRDS NEST - *Our high-elevation, organically farmed estate vineyard on Hennessy Ridge near Pritchard Hill is shaped by thin rocky soils and cooling marine air that naturally limit yields and extend the growing season. Cabernet Sauvignon from this dramatic ridgeline shows intense dark fruit, firm mountain tannins, and lifted minerality that captures both the power and precision of Napa's mountain terroir.*

FONTANELLA VINEYARD - *Located on the western slopes of Mt. Veeder, Fontanella Vineyard sits above the fog line on steep, well-drained volcanic and sedimentary soils. Cool afternoon temperatures and low-vigor hillside vines produce Cabernet Sauvignon of exceptional concentration, structure, and complexity.*

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Blackbird Vineyards' Paramour possesses both sensuality and commanding structure. Cabernet Franc and Merlot have a fragile but irresistible chemistry that flourishes when climate, soils and seasons align. Paramour reveals the passion and harmony embodied in this love affair.

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