

KENZO ESTATE



Introducing tokika, an exciting addition to the Kenzo Estate portfolio that brings a bold, playfully mature blend to the list, and illustrates the timelessness of the Estate's winemaking style. From Napa Valley's highly regarded 2021 vintage, this rich red brings versatility to the Kenzo program by its extended barrel aging - tokika carries an additional 10 months of aging in the estate's state-of-the-art caves.

The difference: winemaker Marc Nanes' use of carefully selected French oak barrels featuring an extra-fine wood grain profile, designed to slowly integrate flavors and thereby complementing and preserving the wine's youthful finesse and elegance.

The result is a careful Cabernet-based red blend with a delightfully expressive showcase of vibrant aromas, including strawberry and dark cherry, as well as classic French oak notes of cigar box, saddle leather, and sweet vanilla oak. The 2021 tokika, with its alluring and silken texture, is a classic wine for the ages, drinkable now, and age-worthy into the distant future.

The name *tokika* is meant to evoke a heartfelt feeling of belonging. The Japanese kanji for "tokika" carries the meaning of both "heart" and "aroma" - although its nuance cannot be easily translated into English; here, the name, as defined by proprietor Natsuko Tsujimoto, represents an ethereal feeling leading into desire - that motion of being drawn-in by an enchanting, heart-thrilling aroma.

2021 tokika TECHNICAL DETAILS

COLOR | Brilliant Dark Red

BOUQUET | Murano cherry, cigar box, saddle leather, sweet vanilla, marzipan, toasted coconut

PALATE | Bold, rich, silky tannins amid an alluring texture

ORIGIN | Estate Grown, Aged & Bottled, Napa Valley

VINTNER | Kenzo Tsujimoto WINEMAKER | Marc Nanes VITICULTURIST | David Abreu

CÉPAGE | Cabernet Sauvignon (49%), Merlot (31%), Petit Verdot (11%), Malbec (4%), Cabernet Franc (5%)

ALCOHOL | 15.2%

BARREL AGING | 30 months in 50% new, fine French oak, 50% neutral. tokika's barrels are designed for extended aging, handcrafted by master coopers from carefully selected staves notable for their tight grain; stave wood is air-dried for 3-5 years before released for cooperage.

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