

# CRUSE WINE CO.

## 2021 MONKEY JACKET

### VINEYARD:

A departure from our previous blends, there is no dominant variety. Valdiguié now shares the table with Carignan, Petite Sirah, Mixed Reds, Syrah, Pinot Noir, and Tannat. All of the vineyards are practicing organic and the average vine age is over 50 years.

### WINEMAKING:

Approximately 50% of the blend was fermented whole cluster and all grapes were fermented in concrete. Aging was done in a mix of 50% concrete tanks and 50% used barrels. There were no additives used except for sulfur and the wine was bottled without fining or filtering.

The vibrant nose is filled with violets and dark red cherries while retaining an earthy character of minty moss. The palate is deeply savory with grilled notes and a bright acidity. The finish is clean and simple with refined tannins that linger.

### PRODUCTION AND ANALYSIS:

- Cases: 1025
- Varietal Breakdown: 22% Mixed Red Blends, 19% Carignan, 14% Valdiguié, 12% Petite Sirah, 12% Syrah, 11% Pinot Noir, and 10% Tannat
- AVA Breakdown: 56% Mendocino County, 26% Sonoma Coast, 14% Napa Valley, 4% Sierra Foothills
- Alcohol: 12.5%
- pH:3.71



*To watch a comprehensive video tasting and explaining Monkey Jacket with the Cruse Wine Co. Team, [click here](#)*

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