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MENDING WALL 2021 MORTAR & STONE NAPA VALLEY

TASTING NOTES:

Dark, deep and mysterious, the 2021 Mortar & Stone stimulates the senses and inspires the imagination. The intrigue begins with its concentrated purple color. Moving closer for inspection, uplifted aromas suggest cassis reduction, distressed leather, cigar wrapper, espresso, and toasted baking spices. The mouth-coating palate expresses layers of decadent cocoa nib, macerated blackberry, forest floor and cedar bark. Harvested from ancient head-trained, dry farmed vines grown in rocky soil, this wine will over-deliver and leave room for additional reflection.



WINERY INFO:

Mending Wall is an innovative winery in the heart of Napa Valley nestled in the foothills of Howell Mountain. Established by three families in the wine industry, including winemaker Thomas Rivers Brown, Outpost Winery (Frank Dotzler) and Pulido-Walker (Mark Pulido & Donna Walker).

The winemaking philosophy follows a minimal intervention approach showcasing the complex nuances of Napa's terroir and the true nature of the vineyards themselves. With a state of the art production facility, we come together to source grapes from across the valley, producing premium wines without pretention.

Composition: 70% Zinfandel, 20% Petite Sirah, 10% Charbono Aging: 15% New French Oak | 85% Neutral Oak Alcohol: 14.5% Production: 639 cases

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LEVO 2020 'NADA MAS' PETITE SIRAH CALIFORNIA

TASTING NOTES:

Inky purple-hued, with a great nose of ripe blackberries, scorched earth, ground pepper, and just a hint of chalky minerality, the 2020 Petite Sirah Nada Mas hits the palate with full-bodied richness, a round, supple, yet also focused mouthfeel, ripe tannins, and a great finish. It's another beautiful wine in the lineup.

WINERY INFO:

Bret Urness launched his brand Levo on the side while still working a full-time day job. Levo highlights wines from California's Central Coast and has become synonymous with curiosity, innovation, and the pursuit of individuality. With each new vintage, Bret



seizes the opportunity to create unique blends, treating each wine within a vintage as a piece of artwork within a collection by the same artist. This approach means no repetition and no boundaries—each bottle expresses his creativity and, equally as important, the incredible terroir and vineyards of the region. The Levo (meaning rise, lift, elevate) signifies the targeted goal of crafting wine with levity in the glass and honoring the human relationship with wine as a tool to uplift any experience.

In 2020, Bret unveiled the Nada Mas label, a testament to his intense commitment to innovation and a sense of place. This wine is pure Americana. A throwback to pre-prohibition Californian field blends when Petite Sirah was one of the most widely planted grape varietals in the state. Old vines from Stolpman Vineyard in Ballard Canyon, planted in 1994, bring density, acidity and black fruit. Rancho Boa Vista brings soft blue fruit and ripe, jammy aromatics. Syrah and Grenache add vibrancy, lift and savory undertones.

Composition: 73% Petite Sirah, 18% Syrah, 9% Grenache **Aging:** 16 Months in Barrique (225L) 94% New French Oak **Alcohol:** 15.3%