

# Fairest Creature

## SINE FINE *by Benoit Touquette*

The great poet from Tang Dynasty Po Chü-i writes:

*On high, we'd be two love birds flying wing to wing,  
On earth, two trees with branches twined from spring to spring.*

Inseparable birds are a classic symbol of love and intimacy in Chinese culture. With one set of wings, the blue bird and the red bird are bound together forever, and will never separate. Like the birds, the intense passion and love of our newlywed friend Benoit Touquette has been beautifully translated into this wine.

### VINTAGE NOTES

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### TASTING NOTES

Named after the Latin word for "endless," the 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Sine Fine is a 100% Cabernet Sauvignon. It features vibrant blue and black fruit notes that lead into deeper layers of roasted herbs, dark chocolate, graphite, and tobacco. This wine is deep, rich, and full-bodied, with an impressive mid-palate and a seamless, layered structure that culminates in a thrilling finish. The combination of purity, elegance, richness, and depth is truly exceptional.

### COMPOSITION

Vintage:	2021
Varietal:	Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	Napa Valley
Alcohol:	15.7%
Production;	3,000 bottles
Aging:	20 months in 74% new French oak barrels

Jayson Hu, Proprietor

Benoit Touquette, Winemaker



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## PERIHELIOS *by Thomas Rivers Brown*

In the first chapter of his famous work, *The Zhuangzi*, Chinese Taoist philosopher Zhuang Tzu describes a gigantic sea creature so vast in size that its body is an unknown number of miles long. In a passage entitled “The Carefree Excursion,” Zhuang chronicles the transformation of this sea creature, K’un, into an equally immense bird, Peng:

*When it rouses itself and flies, its wings obscure the sky like clouds.*

A symbol of incredible strength and magnitude, K’un represents Thomas’s wine, Perihelios.

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The 2021 Cabernet Sauvignon Perihelios bursts from the glass with a vibrant, aromatic profile. Layers of cassis, blue fruits, spring flowers, violets, and dark chocolate dominate the nose. This beautifully structured, full-bodied wine features ultra-fine tannins, a pure and seamless texture, and a complex, multi-dimensional palate. A truly captivating expression of Napa Valley, this wine can be enjoyed now or cellared for up to 20 years.

## COMPOSITION

Vintage: 2021  
Varietal: Cabernet Sauvignon  
Appellation: Napa Valley  
Alcohol: 15.6%  
Production: 3,000 bottles  
Aging: 20 months in 75% new French oak barrels

Jayson Hu, Proprietor

Thomas Rivers Brown, Winemaker



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## POLYSPLINE *by Philippe Melka*

*In the country of green hills lives the fox with nine tails.*

This line from the ancient Chinese text, Classic of Mountains and Waters, tells of a nine-tailed fox that is said to only appear during peaceful times, under benevolent rulers. Rarely seen, the mysterious fox is recognized as an auspicious sign.

The sensation of sipping Philippe's wine, Polyspline, is one of out-of-this-world grace. It's a rare, precious, fleeting moment, much like catching sight of a nine-tailed fox.

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The 2021 Polyspline, with 3% Petit Verdot and aged in 85% new barrels, is a robust and intense wine. It reveals a rich blend of red and black fruits, intertwined with baking spices, chocolate, and a touch of iron. This full-bodied, concentrated wine has a firm structure that reflects the classic style of the 2021 vintage. It will benefit from 4-5 years of bottle age and promises to develop beautifully over the next three decades.

### COMPOSITION

Vintage:	2021
Varietal:	97% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Petit Verdot
Appellation:	Napa Valley
Alcohol:	15.6%
Production:	3,000 bottles
Aging:	20 months in 80% new French oak barrels

Jayson Hu, Proprietor

Philippe Melka, Winemaker



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## TRINICEROS *by Michel Rolland*

Michel Rolland blends Fairest Creature's flagship wine by picking the best barrel selection from each of our three renowned winemakers. It is only available en magnum and is extremely limited in production.

Triniceros is derived from the Latin roots trini (three) and ceros (horns), and symbolizes the three virtuosos behind this wine. His image is modeled after the Qilin, a revered creature from Chinese mythology that represents good fortune and wisdom. This hybrid beast has the head of a dragon, the body of a tiger or a deer, and an ox's tail.

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The 2021 Triniceros opens with a striking nose of blackcurrants, chocolate, graphite, and earthy gravel notes. Full-bodied and deeply layered, it boasts ultra-fine tannins, an exceptional mouthfeel, and a remarkable finish. Another sensational creation by Michel Rolland, this wine can be savored anytime over the next 20-30 years. Released exclusively in magnum with a limited production, it will be a rare find.

## COMPOSITION

Vintage:	2021
Varietal:	Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	Napa Valley
Alcohol:	15.6%
Production:	588 en magnum only
Aging:	20 months in 80% new French oak barrels

Jayson Hu, Proprietor

Michel Rolland, Winemaker

