

# BROWN

NAPA VALLEY

## BROWN ESTATE 2021 TEMPRANILLO

In 2009 when we replanted our Big Field vineyard, we installed amidst the Zinfandel a one-acre block of Tempranillo — a varietal David long was interested in working with — as well as three acres of Petite Sirah and two acres of Primitivo. These were the first new varietals introduced on our property since 1990. David had already made one vintage (2008) of Petite Sirah from a neighbor's vineyard; Tempranillo and Primitivo (first bottling 2018) were entirely new ventures. With the inaugural 2013 vintage the Tempranillo found its place as a permanent addition to our annual production roster. This technically is vintage no. 8.

### Technical

**Composition:** 100% Tempranillo

**Vineyard source:** Brown Estate, Big Field

**Appellation:** Napa Valley

**Barrel aging:** 6 months in neutral oak

**ABV:** 13.8%

**pH:** 3.75

**TA:** 6.1 g/L

**Production:** 220 cases in 12 x 750ml format

### Sensory

**Eye:** Ruby core, scarlet rim.

**Nose:** Mixed berries, black cherry, cola, cassis, spice box, savory roasted herbs. Time in the glass reveals tuberose, gardenia, and orange blossoms.

**Palate:** Medium body with grippy crushed velvet texture. Well-structured with a lingering finish.

**Cellar life:** Ideally cellar at least until fall 2022, then drink through 2030+.