

# SUBJECT TO CHANGE

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## **2022 Open Hand Ranch "FKA" Field Blend (Merlot, Chardonnay & Pinotage)**



**Grape(s):** 55% Merlot, 25% Chardonnay, 20% Pinotage

**Vineyard:** Open Hand Ranch is a 10 acre, family-run organic vineyard and farm planted in the 80s. Surrounded by oak and bay trees and a diverse landscape of native plants, fruit trees and other vegetation, biodiversity and regenerative farming practices are standard practice.

**AVA:** Mendocino County

**Method:** The Chardonnay and Pinotage were picked at the same time. Half of the Chardonnay and half of the Pinotage went into a stainless tank as uncrushed whole clusters, while the rest of the grapes got direct pressed into that same tank (reverse saignée). Maceration lasted a week, with pumpovers daily. After that, the grapes were pressed into a 5,000L foudre. The Merlot, which was picked a few weeks later, was destemmed and fermented in a stainless tank for 9 days. After fermentation, the Merlot was pressed into the foudre containing the Chardonnay and Pinotage co-ferment for the final blend. As always, no fining, filtration, or addition of SO<sub>2</sub>.

**ABV:** 12.1%

**Case Production:** 741

**Bottling Date:** February 2023

**Release Date:** March 2023

**\*\*\*The 2022 "FKA!" was released with 4 different color labels. The juice inside each bottle is the same!**