BOLT CUTTE 2021 RED BLEND

Varietals:

74% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Petit Verdot, 10% Syrah

AVA: California

Vineyards:

Chelle Mountain, Lopai, Star Lane, Bien Nacido, Caelesta, Rolph, White Cliffs, Armory

Production: 851 cases made

Oak: 79% New French Oak

Time in Barrel: 24 months

Alcohol: 15.8%

Cellar potential: 6-10 years

Release date: September 16, 2023

TASTING NOTES

All the brash ferocity of a Clubber Lang left hook, tempered by the gentle nuance of his post-boxing career as a pâtissier. Chef's whites with the sleeves torn off and sideways toque blanc, hands capable of furious jab flurries, now nimbly crafting marzipan blueberry cannelés, honey-drizzled blackberry tarts, star anise garnishes, black leather vests, crumbled graham cracker, and heavy gold chains, all delicately arranged on tiny alabaster plates. And he pities the fool who sends any of it back.

NOTES

2012 was the inaugural vintage of Bolt Cutter, made with a majority share of Bordeaux varietals. The wine is a swerve from the historically Rhône focus of Herman Story. The name is a playful nod to Russell P. From's most iconic wine: Nuts & Bolts. This is Herman Story for the "I only drink Napa Cab" crowd.

SERVING

Temperature: 65° F Decant: 2+ hours

ABOUT

Proprietor and winemaker Russell P. From began Herman Story Wines in 2001 with 7 barrels stashed in his employer's cellar. What started as a modest homage to his rancher grandfather has become a beacon to those seeking opulent, structured Syrah and Grenache. To maintain balance while giving flavor full stage, Russell works with 30 top-tier vineyards in over 7 distinct growing regions between Santa Barbara and Paso Robles. These are no nonsense, balls to the walls wines that are not for the faint of heart or the pinky raising set.



