



Golan Heights Winery

A bold and expressive Cabernet that captures the volcanic terroir of the Golan Heights with depth, elegance, and finesse.



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Yarden Cabernet Sauvignon 2021

, Israel

Region and Vineyards

The 2021 Yarden Cabernet Sauvignon is crafted from vineyards located in the **Golan Heights**, a striking volcanic plateau in northern Israel. As part of the broader **Galilee appellation**, this region is widely regarded as Israel's finest for high-quality viticulture. Elevations range from **400 to 1,200 metres**, providing cool nighttime temperatures that help preserve acidity and enhance aromatic development.

The soils, rich in **volcanic basalt**, are well-drained and ideal for deep-rooted vines, allowing Cabernet Sauvignon to express depth and structure. Winter snowfall and dry summers further support optimal grape ripening with minimal disease pressure. These growing conditions foster long hang times, resulting in fruit with high phenolic maturity and balanced sugar levels.

This diverse topography and climate combination gives rise to wines of **intensity, elegance, and ageability**, establishing the Golan Heights as the cradle of Israel's most distinctive terroir-driven red wines.

Winemaking

Made from **100% Cabernet Sauvignon**, the 2021 vintage underwent **classic vinification techniques** under the meticulous eye of **Victor Schoenfeld**, one of Israel's most influential winemakers. After fermentation, the wine was **aged in French oak barrels for 18 months**, with a portion of **new oak** used to impart structure and integrate seamlessly with the fruit profile.

This approach preserves the **pure varietal expression** of Cabernet Sauvignon while enhancing the wine's aromatic complexity and aging potential. With an **alcohol content of 14.5%**, the wine achieves a powerful yet harmonious profile, crafted to evolve gracefully over time. It is expected to **drink well for at least a decade or more** from vintage.

Alcohol :14,50 %

Composition: 100% Cabernet
Sauvignon



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Tasting Notes

- **Color:** Deep garnet core with purple hues on the rim, signaling concentration and youth.
- **Aroma:** Intense notes of ripe **blackcurrant, cherry, and plum**, enriched by nuances of **tobacco, dark chocolate, anise, earth, and dried herbs**.
- **Palate:** Full-bodied and layered, with a rich core of **dark fruit**, framed by **fine-grained tannins** and lifted by vibrant acidity. Notes of **spice, cedar, and cocoa** persist on the long, elegant finish.

Did you know?

The Yarden Cabernet Sauvignon is not only the **flagship red wine** of the Golan Heights Winery but also a **benchmark for Israeli Cabernet Sauvignon** internationally. It has garnered **consistent critical acclaim**, with the 2020 vintage earning **95 points and a Gold Medal from Decanter**, and similarly strong scores from **Wine Spectator** and **Wine Enthusiast**. The wine is emblematic of Israel's modern wine renaissance and its ability to produce world-class Cabernet.

Wine Pairing Ideas

- **Butterflied lamb shoulder with mint and garlic:** Enhances the wine's herbal and earthy tones while complementing its robust tannins.
- **Grilled ribeye steak with peppercorn sauce:** Matches the intensity and brings out the wine's black fruit and spice notes.
- **Beetroot risotto with sage and hazelnuts:** Offers a vegetarian pairing that accentuates the wine's savory depth and texture.
- **Hard cheeses like aged Manchego or Comté:** The tannins balance beautifully with the richness and umami of mature cheeses.



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