



In 1983, Tony and Herta (HB) Peju purchased thirty acres of vines in the famed Rutherford district of Napa Valley. They worked hard to build a winery, plant estate vineyards and raise their family. PEJU remains family-owned with Tony and HB's two daughters Ariana and Lisa guiding the business today. Ariana and Lisa are bringing fresh ideas while maintaining the meticulous focus on quality that began 40 years ago. With its landmark tower and warm hospitality, PEJU Winery is an integral part of the Napa Valley landscape.

2021 LEAN IN, NAPA VALLEY

INSPIRATION

Created exclusively for our Club PEJU members, 'Lean In' pays homage to our sycamore trees, one of Napa Valley's most iconic landmarks. Planted by Tony Peju in 1986 and carefully pruned twice a year, the sycamores lean towards the sun creating a living canopy that gracefully arches over the winery entrance.

VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage will be remembered for low yields with intensely-flavored, small-sized berries, and a smooth harvest season. The season started off with very little rain, leading to the 2nd year of drought conditions in Napa Valley. The drought of 2021 resulted in a more natural load on the vines, requiring less pruning and dropping of fruit. The resulting grapes were packed full of flavor.

TASTING

'Lean In' is a wine that captivates from the first encounter, boasting a vibrant nose that promises an exciting tasting experience. As it graces the palate, this wine reveals its juicy and plush character, creating a velvety and luxurious mouthfeel. Ripe plum and cranberry notes take center stage, as dark red fruit and anise intermingle gracefully. The finish is reminiscent of hibiscus tea, leaving a delightful and lingering impression.

DETAILS

- Appellation:** Napa Valley
- Composition:** 77% Zinfandel, 21% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Petit Verdot
- Oak:** French oak, 25% new
- Aging:** 18 months
- Harvest:** October 2021
- Release:** November 2023
- Winemaker:** Sara Fowler
- Alcohol:** 14.8%

ACCOLADES

- 92 points**, James Suckling
- 91+ points**, Wine Advocate

