

8 chains north

8 CHAINS NORTH 'FURNACE MOUNTAIN' 2022

8 Chains North is a family-owned Waterford winery where Edz and Cissi Sturans craft small-lot, Loudoun-grown wines. Named for the original vineyard planted eight chains north (528 feet) of White's Crossing, the winery's heritage lives on in Furnace Mountain Red - a balanced, Bordeaux-style blend awarded Silver at the Loudoun Wine Awards.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 season delivered beautifully balanced fruit, with steady early growth and a warm, sun-filled summer that encouraged depth and concentration across all varietals. Ample ripeness, vibrant aromatics, and naturally structured tannins defined the harvest, providing ideal components for crafting this expressive Bordeaux-style blend.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Each varietal fermented separately before aging 18 months in 50% new and 50% neutral American oak. After blending, the wine returned to barrel for an additional eight months to integrate tannins and texture. Bottled in April 2022, the final wine reflects the depth of a classic Bordeaux-inspired wine.

TASTING NOTES

Furnace Mountain Red offers rich blue fruit and subtle tobacco on the nose. The palate layers dark plum, black currant, and raspberry with hints of vanilla from extended oak aging. Well-rounded tannins lead to a smooth, structured finish, creating a balanced, versatile blend with depth and elegance.

APPELLATION	Loudoun County, Virginia
VINEYARDS	8 Chains Waterford Estate & Tranquility Vineyard (Middleburg AVA), Furnace Mountain Vineyard (Loudoun County)
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	40% Merlot, 30% Cabernet Sauvignon 15% Cabernet Franc, 15% Petit Verdot
FERMENTATION & AGING	Aged 22 months American Oak (50% New Oak)
ALCOHOL	12.7%
PH	3.6
ACIDITY	7.7 g/L



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