



HILLSBOROUGH 'ONYX' TANNAT 2020

Founded in 2001, Hillsborough Vineyards crafts minimal-intervention wines from 14 acres of estate vines. Onyx, part of the winery's gemstone-inspired series, reflects the depth and strength of the Tannat grape - bold, structured, and designed for long aging, expressing the power of Hillsborough's rugged hillside terroir.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2020 vintage brought low rainfall and warmer-than-average temperatures, yielding smaller clusters with exceptional concentration. Tannat benefited from extended hang time and dry conditions, developing dense tannins, deep color, and powerful structure. The vintage favored age-worthy red wines with intensity and aging potential.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Tannat was destemmed, crushed, and cold-soaked four days before fermentation. Fermented in bins with gentle twice-daily punchdowns for 14 days. Pressed to new 500L French oak puncheons after settling overnight. Sur lie aged with periodic stirring for three months, then matured 18 months in barrel. Bottled unfiltered; 295 cases.

TASTING NOTES

Onyx 2020 delivers an intense nose of dark chocolate, black currant, tobacco, and vanilla. The palate is powerful and structured with firm tannins and a long, resonant finish. Awarded **Silver** at the **2025 Loudoun Wine Awards**, it pairs beautifully with ribeye, braised meats, and richly flavored dishes.

APPELLATION	Loudoun County, Virginia
VINEYARDS	Hillsborough Vineyard
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% Tannat
FERMENTATION & AGING	Aged in New French Oak Puncheons 18 months Oak Aging
ALCOHOL	11.8%
PH	3.85
TOTAL ACIDITY	5.9 g/L



HILLSBOROUGH VINEYARDS

36716 Charles Town Pike, Hillsboro, VA 20132 | (540) 668-6216
tastingroom@hillsboroughwine.com | HillsboroughWine.com | @hillsboroughwine