

# Enlightenment

## 2022 "Dagger" Botanical Cherry Mead United States

Type:	Red Wine
Farming Methods:	Hand harvested
Winemaker:	Raphael Lyon

ABV	15.00%	Sizes	375ml
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Organic	Vegan
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### ABOUT THIS BOTTLE

This tart, unfiltered botanical mead begins with fir needles hand-harvested from organically grown trees, making opening a bottle as fragrant as a winter walk in the woods. Locally-grown black cherries give Dagger its subtle juiciness and rich ruby color, while foraged hemlock enriches its verdant, woody base notes. Yarrow and chamomile round out the experience with a herbal warmth that makes Dagger perfect for sipping all winter long. Fermented and aged in-barrel for another year before bottling, this mead is truly worth the wait! Each frosted glass bottle is silk screened by hand in a limited edition of 1,000. Dagger sells out quickly, so don't sleep on this early Spring treat!

Enlightenment Wines embraces natural fermentation techniques, allowing spontaneous fermentation driven by indigenous yeasts with minimal additives. The meadery emphasizes traditional, low-tech methods in their production, relying primarily on basic tools like large vessels and paddles. Their meads are aged in neutral barrels, typically those previously used for red wine, for about a year, allowing for gentle oxygenation and mellowing without imparting strong oak flavors. Minimal filtration is practiced to preserve the natural characteristics of the mead.

