

## 2022: It's A Wrap For Wine Writing

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From pretty packaging, savvy swag and an inspiring revival, here's a roundup of some of the bottles and stories that caught my eye this year. ...

### BEST REVIVAL



It's not often you see new life breathed into an old brand, but if ever there was a case of a phoenix rising from the ashes, it's Napa Valley's **Newton Vineyard** on Spring Mountain. All but five acres of the 68 under vine was

destroyed in the September 2020 Glass wildfire as the historic winery celebrated its 40th anniversary year. Known for its Unfiltered Chardonnay and an iconic red blend, Puzzle, the winery also produced single-vineyard Cabernets from the damaged parcels on Spring Mountain. The vineyards in Carneros, Yountville and Mt. Veeder, sources for fruit in other wines including the Chardonnay and Puzzle, survived the fires.

But supported by parent company LVMH and the know-how of its team, the winery is rebuilding and taking the opportunity to incorporate more regenerative farming practices. Newton will vinify wines in a new crush facility at the The Winery at Brasswood Village in Calistoga where it is set up to welcome guests for exclusive, by-appointment tasting experiences.

Head of viticulture [Laura Deyermond](#) was included in Wine Enthusiast's "Future 40 2022," and in November, Puzzle celebrated its 30th anniversary—all things signaling that the winery is looking and moving forward.

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