

2013 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Blend: 97% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Petit Verdot

Vineyard Notes: Grown on our 18-acre estate mountain vineyard at elevations of up to 2,200 feet in rocky red volcanic soil. The vineyard is CCOF Organic and Demeter Biodynamic certified. On the ranch we pursue a true biodynamic "closed system," where biodynamic preparations are sourced primarily from our property. A picturesque aspect of this is our Scottish Highland cattle, which play an important role.

Our mountain vineyards shine in vintages with extremes. Our rugged, hearty vines stand strong during heat spikes like we saw in July of this year. Berries were small, giving the wine a potent flavor profile and deep aromatics. The year started and finished warm and dry. Bud break was slightly earlier than normal giving us long hang time on the vine. The growing season was marked by daily fluctuations in temperatures which lends the fruit complexity and depth of color and flavor. We saw even ripening and superb quality across the entire vineyard. A heat spike in July drove ripening. Harvest was on September 19th and 20th. Three tons per acre.



Winemaker's Notes: Hand crafted in an old-world style. We use minimal intervention in the cellar to bring the highest expression of our Lake County Red Hills vineyard's terroir to every glass. Alc: 14.1%; pH 3.55; Cooperage: Aged 23 months in 100% French Oak (80% new); Production: 1500 cases.

Tasting Notes: This wine has aromas of ripe blueberry, and organic, dark cocoa. The mouthfeel is rich and velvety – dense and luscious. Balanced acidity and flavor notes of bell pepper, bacon and black fruit make this wine delicious! Perfectly suited to compliment a rich, elegant meal, pairs beautifully with braised lamb or beef wellington. Drink now through 2030 and beyond.



94 Points The Tasting Panel
96 Points, Platinum Winemaker's Challenge
92 Points Ultimate Wine Challenge
90 Points, Gold Los Angeles Int'l Wine Competition
Gold Medal Tasters Guild Int'l Wine Competition

