

2013 Napa Valley Red Wine Rector Creek Vineyard - Block 5

Our Vineyards Series is a collection of limited-production wines that offer their own inspired variations on the contemporary and innovative style of our Paraduxx red blends. Grown in the rocky soils of our Rector Creek Vineyard, which surrounds the Paraduxx winery, this sumptuous and sophisticated blend balances the Bing Cherry and herbes de Provence elements of the coveted Cabernet Franc from our Block 5, with the raspberry jam and white pepper character of great Zinfandel.

In The Vineyards - 2013

- The 2013 harvest was early, even and excellent, with all of our Estate fruit in the winery by October 10th
- A warm dry spring brought an early bud break and created ideal conditions for flowering and fruit set
- In the weeks after Labor Day, a moderate heat event followed by a period of perfect weather created a dream scenario for end-of-season ripening
- Rain was not a factor, and for the second vintage in a row, the quality of the grapes was exceptional throughout Napa Valley

Sensory Profile

- Combining the best qualities of Cabernet Franc and Zinfandel, this alluring blend offers aromas of herbes de Provence, Bing cherry and strawberry pie.
- On the palate, a hint of Cabernet Sauvignon adds to the lovely structure of this wine, while good acidity brings firmness and focus to flavors of raspberry jam, dried berries and holiday spice.

Composition

50% Cabernet Franc, 47% Zinfandel, 3% Cabernet Sauvignon

Origin

Appellation: Napa Valley
Harvest Dates: August 19 – 25, 2013

Aging & Oak

18 months in oak 95% French oak, 5% American oak 60% New oak, 40% Second Vintage

Production and Technical Data

Average Sugar at Harvest: 26° Brix Alcohol: 14.5%

> Bottled: June 2015 Released: April 2016

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