## 2016 Atlas Peak Napa Valley Red Wine



Our Vineyard Series is a collection of limited-produced wines that offer their own inspired variations on the contemporary and innovative style of our Paraduxx red blends. This blend of Sangiovese and Cabernet Sauvignon comes from the high slopes of Atlas Peak, where temperatures can be up to 10 degrees cooler than the valley floor. This ensures long, even ripening, yielding an elegantly textured wine with expressive layers of cherry, lavender and forest floor.

## In the Vineyards

2016 was an incredibly successful harvest for Paraduxx. Starting on August I5th with our Rector Creek Estate Viognier and ending on October 20th with perfectly ripened Rutherford Cabernet Sauvignon, the season was seamless. Overall, we harvested 15 different grape varieties from 14 different Napa Valley appellations. The growing season was filled with warm sunny days, intermittent cool weeks, and no rain events to speak of-all of which were ideal for achieving perfect ripeness with good natural acidity. Overall, there is a lovely elegance to our 2016 wines, with soft, velvety tannins and ripe, impeccably balanced berry flavors.

## Sensory Profile

This gorgeous blend of Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon and Sangiovese offers aromas of ripe red fruit on the nose, with sophisticated hints of dried herbs and clay. A luxurious full-bodied wine, with abundant fruit and a tight tannin structure, it displays both the richness and radiance that can be achieved in the relatively cool-climate of Atlas Peak.

## Composition

57\% Sangiovese, 43\% Cabernet Sauvignon

## Harvest Information

Appellation: Atlas Peak, Napa Valley Harvest Dates: October 6-16
Average Sugar at Harvest: 25. $1^{\circ}$ Brix

## Cooperage

100\% French oak
Barrel Aging: I8 months
$50 \%$ new, $50 \%$ second vintage

## Production and Technical Data

Alcohol: I4.5\%
$0.54 \mathrm{~g} / 100 \mathrm{ml}$ titratable acidity
6 - 10 days fermentation at $85^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$
pH: 3.80

