

# PARADUXX

NAPA VALLEY

## 2014 NAPA VALLEY RED WINE RECTOR CREEK VINEYARD – BLOCK 5

Our Vineyard 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 alluring 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 – 2014

The 2014 growing season was our third exceptional vintage in a row, and one of our earliest harvests on record, with our final grapes arriving at the winery on October 14 - almost two weeks earlier than normal. Though the vintage presented drought conditions, perfectly timed spring rains were just what the vines needed to set an excellent crop. After an early budbreak, ideal summer weather allowed us to harvest all of our varieties at optimum ripeness, resulting in wines with alluring aromatics and beautiful fruit complexity.

### Sensory Profile

- Offering beautiful structure and complexity, this blend of Cabernet Franc, Zinfandel and Cabernet Sauvignon begins with aromas of sun-dried cherry, plum and herbes de Provence.
- On the palate, excellent natural acidity and firm tannins add poise and dimension to vibrant flavors of raspberry and strawberry.

– Winemaker Don LaBorde

### Composition

56% Cabernet Franc, 38% Zinfandel, 6% Cabernet Sauvignon

### Origin

Appellation: Yountville Valley, Sonoma County

Harvest Dates: August 20 – October 15

### 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: 26.0° Brix

Alcohol: 14.9%