

# PARADUXX

NAPA VALLEY

## 2015 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 – 2015

Other than being approximately a month earlier than usual, our 2015 harvest was smooth and successful, yielding exceptional quality grapes. To allow us ample opportunities for blending, we harvested 16 different grape varieties over the course of 12 weeks. During this period, Mother Nature provided heat to speed up ripening when we needed it, and equally well-timed cooler temperatures when the vines needed a respite. The extended harvest allowed us to pick all varieties at optimal ripeness. As a result, our white grapes show lovely aromatics and varietal character, and our reds show beautiful depth and concentration.

### Sensory Profile

This captivating blend combines the velvety texture and lush ripe raspberry and cherry flavors of Zinfandel with the savory and sophisticated coriander seed, rosemary and fresh oregano notes of Cabernet Franc. Supple tannins carry the singular blend to a silky herb and spice finish.

– Winemaker Don LaBorde

### Composition

52% Cabernet Franc, 48% Zinfandel

### Origin

Appellation: Yountville, Napa Valley

Harvest Dates: August 26 – September 12

### Aging & Oak

18 months in oak

100% French Oak

50% New Oak, 50% Second Vintage

### Production and Technical Data

Average Sugar at Harvest: 27.3° Brix

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.89

