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# PARADUXX

# 2019 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.

### VINTAGE NOTES

The 2019 vintage began with a cold, wet winter followed by a cool spring, which resulted in a late budbreak. The cool, consistent weather provided abundant hangtime, ensuring ideal flavor development in the grapes. Yields for our red varieties were slightly above average, and temperate late-season weather allowed for a measured pace to harvest. Across the board, the 2019 wines are bright and balanced with smooth, elegant tannins and lush, vibrant flavors.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

Both luxurious and graceful, this beautiful blend of Cabernet Franc and Zinfandel showcases aromas of black cherry, cranberry, cinnamon, clove and herbs de Provence, as well as notes of brambly spice and cedar. The tart cherry and red-berry layers continue on the palate, where they mingle with flavors of raspberry cola, bay leaf, leather, cracked pepper and hints of vanilla and fresh-tilled earth, with supple, fine-grained tannins and lovely underlying energy carrying the wine to a lush, dynamic finish.

## WINEMAKING

**APPELLATION** Yountville, Napa Valley

VINEYARD Rector Creek Vineyard

**BLEND COMPOSITION** 100% estate fruit

51% Cabernet Franc, 45% Zinfandel,

4% Cabernet Sauvignon

Aged 18 months in 100% French oak OAK PROFILE & AGING

60% new, 40% neutral

**ALCOHOL** 14.5%

3.78 PH

**ACIDITY** 0.54 g/100 ml

