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2022 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 and Cabernet Sauvignon.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2022 growing season began with some much-needed winter rain that provided moisture to the soils. A pleasant spring ushered an early budbreak, with some rapid cane development. In early May, there was an unusual cool spell which led to an extended bloom for our white varietals and early reds. Summer was very consistent and provided the prime growing conditions we so love here in Napa Valley, with harvest beginning on the 15th of August. This was followed by an intense heat spell at the beginning of September that resulted in great concentration of flavors. After the heat subsided, temperatures cooled, and harvest continued into early November, yielding grapes with rich, vibrant flavors and bright acidity.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Combining the sophistication of Cabernet Franc and the exuberance of Zinfandel, this vibrant Block 5 blend from Rector Creek Vineyard is both refined and expressive. Aromas of dark red cherry, wet stone and flinty minerality are layered with hints of raspberry sherbet and warm baking spices. The palate unfolds with bright red fruit that deepens into dark cherry, spiced raspberry and plum, all framed by elegant tannins. A refined mineral finish lingers, showcasing the wine's balance and complexity.

WINEMAKING

APPELLATION Yountville, Napa Valley
VINEYARD Rector Creek Vineyard

BLEND COMPOSITION 67% Cabernet Franc, 30% Zinfandel,

3% Cabernet Sauvignon

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

60% new. 40% neutral

ALCOHOL 14.5%

PH 3.86

ACIDITY 0.53 g/100 ml

