

# PARADUXX

NAPA VALLEY

## 2014 NAPA VALLEY RED WINE CORK TREE VINEYARD

Our Vineyard Series is a collection of limited-production wines that offer their own inspired variations on the innovative style of our Paraduxx red blends. As the coolest of our estate vineyards, Cork Tree yields beautifully structured and sophisticated wines that are as elegant as they are inviting. Combining the lovely red berry and floral notes of great Malbec with the satin textures of Merlot and the depth and dark fruit character of Cabernet Sauvignon, this alluring wine marries the best qualities of these varieties.

### 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

- Combining three of the great Bordeaux varieties, this wine is ripe and luscious, with head-turning aromas of wild strawberry and cherry, as well as more nuanced hints of fresh hay and sweet tobacco leaf.
- This lovely mix of savory and sweet continues on the silky palate, where perfectly integrated oak underscores flavors of red berries and dried herbs.

– Winemaker Don LaBorde

### Composition

67% Malbec, 18% Merlot, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon

### Origin

Appellation: Napa Valley

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%

