

PARADUXX

NAPA VALLEY

2015 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 – 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

Aromas of black currant rise from the glass followed by hints of green peppercorn and fresh wood shavings. On the palate, vivid flavors of fresh strawberry pie filling and cassis carry through to a lengthy finish full of youthful tannins.

– Winemaker Don LaBorde



Composition

50% Malbec, 36% Cabernet Sauvignon, 14% Merlot

Origin

Appellation: Napa Valley

Harvest Dates: September 2 – September 5

Aging & Oak

18 months in oak

100% French oak

60% new oak, 40% second vintage

Production and Technical Data

Average Sugar at Harvest: 26.9° Brix

Alcohol: 14.1%

pH: 3.65