# PARADUXX NAPA VALLEY

## 2014 NAPA VALLEY RED WINE RECTOR CREEK VINEYARD – BLOCK 4

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 sumptuous and sophisticated blend balances the wild berry and tobacco leaf elements of Petit Verdot from our prized Block 4, with the raspberry and spice notes of our Rector Creek Zinfandel.

#### 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**

- The prized Petit Verdot from Block 4 has yielded a big robust wine, with bold tannins and dark, concentrated fruit.
- The nose offers enticing aromas of blackberry and blackcurrant, with just a hint of leather and herbes de Provence.
- On the palate, firm tannins and toasty oak frame luxurious blackberry jam and blueberry flavors that glide to a long, intense finish.

- Winemaker Don LaBorde

### Composition

58% Petit Verdot, 38% Zinfandel, 4% Cabernet Sauvignon

#### Origin

Appellation: Yountville Valley, Sonoma County 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: 14.5%



