

PARADUXX

2018 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.

VINTAGE NOTES

In Napa Valley, a mild spring and summer, with no significant heat events, pushed the beginning of harvest back a full four weeks from our average start date. In addition to providing abundant hangtime, the temperate weather ensured that the fruit was able to preserve excellent natural acidity. Because the cool weather continued into autumn, we were able to assess and pick each block at ideal ripeness. One of the most noteworthy elements of the growing season was the fact that the grapes were able to develop beautiful, fully ripe flavors, at lower Brix. As a result, the wines are both elegant and complex, with excellent energy and acidity, and lovely varietal character.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Combining the depth and drama of Petit Verdot with the energy and intensity of Zinfandel, this wine begins with perfumed layers of violet, cherry and forest floor, as well as oak-inspired hints of molasses, cocoa and vanilla. On the palate, it is rich, ripe and luxuriously fruit driven, with supple fine-grained tannins framing the lush berry flavors and carrying the wine to robust finish.

WINEMAKING

APPELLATION	Yountville, Napa Valley
VINEYARD	Rector Creek Vineyard
BLEND COMPOSITION	100% Estate fruit 75% Petit Verdot, 25% Zinfandel
OAK PROFILE & AGING	Aged 18 months in 100% French oak 60% new
ALCOHOL	14.9%
PH	3.87
ACIDITY	0.59 g/100 ml



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