

# PARADUXX

## 2018 NAPA VALLEY RED WINE RECTOR CREEK VINEYARD

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. This blend of Cabernet Sauvignon paired with Zinfandel originates exclusively from the rocky soils of our Rector Creek Vineyard, which surrounds the Paraduxx winery.

### 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

The blend of Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon and Zinfandel displays rich, alluring aromas black cherry, red currant and blueberry, with undercurrents of nutmeg, vanilla, clove and anise, adding depth and complexity. On the palate, the entry is bright and juicy, providing poise and polish to the generous fruit, with velvety tannins and hints of cranberry and coffee bean lingering throughout a long, harmonious finish.

### WINEMAKING

APPELLATION	Yountville, Napa Valley
VINEYARD	Rector Creek Vineyard
BLEND COMPOSITION	100% estate fruit 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Zinfandel
OAK PROFILE & AGING	Aged 18 months in 100% French oak 60% new
ALCOHOL	14.9%
PH	3.70
ACIDITY	0.57 g/100 ml



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