VINEYARDS

Appellation
Napa Valley
- 30% St. Helena, 29% Napa Valley, 15% Oak Knoll, 12% Napa-Carneros, 6% Mt. Veeder, 5% Diamond Mountain, 3% Oakville

Soil
The geology and soils of Napa Valley are notoriously complex and are primarily comprised of broken down or decomposed rock that has been carried downhill from the eastern Vaca range and the western Mayacamas range into the base of the valley, where they ultimately intermingle with the silt, clay and gravel deposits of the Napa River flood plain.

VINTAGE

Growing Season
2013 summed up to be a perfect vintage with clear sunny days and cool evenings. This produced a long, moderate growing season with extended hang time and even ripening, resulting in silky tannins and a full range of flavors while retaining natural acidity.

Harvest Dates | Brix
September 12 to October 24 | 26˚ average

WINEMAKING

Varietal Compositon
80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 11% Merlot, 6% Malbec and 3% Petit Verdot

Fermentation
Native-yeast and full malolactic fermentations.

Aging
The wine rested sur lie to incorporate the oak so that the 18 months spent in 56% new barrels (three-year air dried French, 33% and American, 23%) is barely noticeable. Due to this vintage’s supple tannins, we left this wine in barrel for only 18 months. Non-filtered.

Cases | Alcohol
9,400 | 14.5%

Release Date | Price
March 2016 | $62

“Our ninth vintage of this appellation Cabernet is blended from a combination of hillside and valley floor vineyards. Our style combines the harmony produced by traditional Bordelaise winemaking techniques with the voluptuousness gained from California’s weather, especially in this perfect vintage.” – David Ramey