



WINEGROWING INFORMATION

With a warm, dry spring hastening the onset of budbreak, the 2013 growing season began full of promise. The perfect weather persisted for flowering and fruit set, producing smaller canopies and small berries with intense concentration and firm tannins. With the exception of one heat spike in late June, the consistent, moderate temperatures, lack of major heat spikes, beautifully long season, and a very early harvest made for one of the most superb vintages in Napa Valley's history. Our grapes were hand-picked between September 16th and 27th, fermented individually in small tanks, aged in 100% new French oak barrels and bottled after 23 months in barrel on August 28th, 2015.

TASTING NOTES

On the nose, this wine is full of black fruit aromas enlivened by notes of black tea, savory spices, chaparral and tobacco leaf. In the mouth, the wine envelops the palate with super plush, fine-grained tannins and intense flavors of brambly fruit, coffee, and dark chocolate, overlying a core of superb minerality that continues into a lingering and deliciously satisfying finish. Notes winemaker Françoise Peschon, This wine, with its generous aromas, flavors and supple tannins, reflects the fine terroir of the vineyards and the extraordinary vintage.