

2014 CABERNET SAUVIGNON E.J. CHURCH RESERVE MAYACAMAS ESTATE NAPA VALLEY

This reserve wine takes its name from E.J. Church, Long Meadow Ranch's pioneering settler who acquired the property via a patent grant from President Ulysses S. Grant in 1872. We have replanted the southwest-facing vineyards which E.J. Church established in the 1870s. These mountain-grown grapes, planted at 1300 feet elevation, develop deep fruit flavors and ripe tannins which are handcrafted into an elegant, balanced wine

VINEYARD: Estate Grown

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

FERMENTATION: 50% new. 50% neutral French oak

MATURATION: 18 months **CASE PRODUCTION: 509**

FOOD AFFINITIES: Perfect with LMR grass-fed beef, lamb, or roasted game

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS:

"A stunning showcase of a wine made from mountain fruit. Dense, dark claret in color. Cassis, graphite, black cherries, and briar fruit, all wrapped up with elegant, silky, and supple tannins in a continuous, lively expression across the palate. Immaculate balance with amazing depth and density, signifying the hallmark characteristics of terroir driven style."

- Ashley Heisey

GROWING SEASON:

2014 was one of the warmest and driest vintages on record, Napa Valley certainly experienced the effects of the drought. There was no frost during bud break which contributed to a strong, early set in the vineyard. Warm days and no rain allowed us to harvest a beautiful crop in the early weeks of August.

LONG MEADOW RANCH:

Owned by Ted, Laddie, and Christopher Hall, LMR employs an integrated, organic farming system, using simple, sustainable methods. Each part of the Ranch contributes to the health of the whole. Vineyards and wine making, olive orchards and olive oil making, cattle and horse breeding all work together in complementary fashion, as do the egg-laying poultry flock and the organic vegetable gardens. All crops are certified organic by California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) and are grown without the use of herbicides, pesticides, or chemical fertilizers.