

2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD: Estate Grown at our Mayacamas & Rutherford Estates

VARIETAL: 87% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7% Petit Verdot, 6% Petite Sirah

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

MATURATION: 18 months in 50% new French oak, 50% neutral French oak

FOOD AFFINITIES: LMR Grass-fed beef, braised lamb shanks.

or roasted game

WINEMAKER TASTING NOTES:

"Inviting with a vibrant purple hue and a complexity of varietal aromas of blackberry, plum, cocoa nibs, green coffee, and fennel. On the palate, layered oak components of vanilla and cedar balance tenderly with soft tannins and the mouthwatering acidity that give this classic a fresh lingering finish."

- Justin Carr

GROWING SEASON:

An early bud break, one of the longest flowering periods in years, and a long growing season produced a vintage that shines in quality. Spring started fast and an early bloom was met with a dip in temperature, wind and rains, which slowed the development and reduced yields. The result was a small crop of extremely well-concentrated fruit that ripened fully and slowly before an early harvest in 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.

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