



## 2014 CLAYHOUSE ADOBE RED

## TASTING NOTES

Aromas of black cherry and blackberry have complexities of vanilla and cocoa. Dark, brambly fruit and strawberry jam flavors combine in the mouth of this complex blend. The wine has a rich mouthfeel, with soft, round tannins and a lovely lacing of toasty vanilla in the finish. Adobe Red is a reliable jack-of-all-trades, made to enjoy with grilled meats, red sauced pasta, fine cheeses, or just sipping with friends.

## THE VINTAGE

In spite of drought conditions, the weather for the 2014 vintage was very good for growing wine grapes. We were provided with an abundant and quality-driven crop. Good fortune years like this are a blessing, and the wines show good depth of character.

## WINEMAKING

Grapes were desterned only, and sent without crushing direct to temperature controlled stainless steel tanks. The must cold soaked for 2 days before inoculation with yeast to begin fermentation. The new wine was pressed at dryness and inoculated for malolactic fermentation.

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 30% ZINFANDEL, 26% PETITE SIRAH, 21% SYRAH, 15% TEMPRANILLO, 5% MALBEC, 3% PETIT VERDOT

APPELLATION: PASO ROBLES

MATURATION: AGED 9 MONTHS IN A COMBINATION OF FRENCH AND AMERICAN OAK

PH: 3.90

TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.93 g/L

**ALCOHOL: 13.5%** 

**BOTTLING DATE: AUGUST 2015** CASE PRODUCTION: 12,270

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