

2014 CLAYHOUSE CABERNET SAUVIGNON RED CEDAR VINEYARD, PASO ROBLES

VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

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

TASTING NOTES

Deep purple / dark red color. Aromas of dark Bing cherries and black currants, with hints of cedar and sweet vanilla. The wine is rich and full-bodied. It has sweet black cherry and ripe plum fruit flavors with licorice undertones. This Cabernet Sauvignon has tannins that are rounded and smooth. It finishes with warm toasty notes.

Grape Source: Red Cedar Vineyard, Paso Robles AVA

Varietal Composition: 88% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petit Verdot, 2% Malbec

Processing: Grapes were de-stemmed directly to stainless steel fermenters, without crushing. We allowed the must to cold-soak for 3 days before beginning fermentation. After 17 days on the skins, the new wine was pressed at dryness. After pressing, the wine was settled for 3 days, then racked off its gross lees to mature 10 months in a combination of French and American oak.

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pH at bottling: 3.68 TA at bottling: 6.5 g/l

Alcohol: 13.5%







