



LEESE - FITCH

CALIFORNIA
CABERNET SAUVIGNON

2013

TASTING NOTES

This Cabernet Sauvignon is dark purple with exotic nuances on the nose. Brambly blackberries, Tahitian vanilla, dark cherry, mulling spices, and toasted cedar with hints of sweet leather, clove-studded orange peel, and white pepper swirl throughout the aroma. Flavors start with Dutch cocoa, black cherry jubilee, pomegranate molasses, black currants, and finish with flecks of thyme, blackberry preserves, and toasty American oak notes of caramel.

WINEMAKER NOTES

A 2013 growing season with long hang time provided us with perfectly ripe, small Cabernet berries for optimum extraction. The Cabernet legs for this blend have great fruit flavors and wonderfully ripe tannins, power and grace. The Cabernet Sauvignon comes from Lodi, Clarksburg, and Paso Robles. Syrah from Mendocino adds peppery nuances and a touch of gamey, blue fruit. Grenache, Carignane, and Barbera from Lodi add red fruit and hints of spice. Merlot and Cab Franc from Paso Robles add some additional structure and darker fruit notes. Old vine Petite Sirah from the Alexander Valley adds depth on the finish of this wine.

FOOD PAIRINGS

This wine would pair wonderfully with a number of dinner options: Salisbury steak with a baked potato, mushroom chicken casserole with green beans topped with toasted almonds, sausage lovers pizza, or your favorite lasagna.

BLEND

78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5% Syrah, 4% Grenache, 4% Merlot, 3% Carignane, 3% Cab Franc, 2% Barbera, and 1% Petite Sirah

APPELLATIONS

51% Lodi, 22% Clarksburg, 21% Paso Robles, 5% Mendocino, and 1% Alexander Valley

ANALYSIS

pH 3.59
TA 6.5 g/L
ALC 13.5%
RS 3.6 g/L

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