

2014 NAPA VALLEY MERITAGE

2014 was the third in an exemplary string of outstanding Napa Valley vintages expressing a virtual cross between the elegance of 2012 and sheer power of 2013. A bright crimson color combines with shades of garnet to create an appealing first impression. The nose exhibits strong black currant notes supported by a mix of aromatics ranging from floral scents to tea leaves, tobacco and pomegranate. On the broad and richly balanced palate, black currant continues to dominate with the support of black berries and cherries along with a touch of spice. The suppleness of the nose and palate carry on to a seductive and layered finish that just lingers on. The overall impression is one of balance with a silky mouthfeel accented by a Bordelaise character of stony/slate like minerality. All of these fine attributes combine effortlessly with an infinite underlying structure to guarantee early enjoyment and longevity in the bottle.

Mitch Cosentino, Winemaker

Varietal Composition: 75% Cabernet Sauvignon & 25% Petit Verdot **Production:** 382 6 pack cases

pH: 3.67 **TA:** 6.2 g/L **ALC:** 14.0% **RS:** 0.02 gr/100ml

