

## **RED MARE WINES**

## 2013. Red Mare Wines. Napa Valley. Cabernet Sauvignon

In keeping with the signature Red Mare style, our 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon opens with intense aromas of ripe red cherries, sappy notes of fresh bay, and marjoram layered with rich, warm cedar. The vintage story unfolds with the darker presence of black licorice, mocha, and cocoa lifted by creamy vanilla and baking spices. The nose is rounded out with white tobacco and the slightly powdery, dusty notes of wet stone. Ripe fruit flavors are actively carried through the palate with a core of freshness finishing with ripe tannins that characterize 2013.

## 2013 Vintage Notes:

2013 was a knockout year; a well-balanced crop and a warm and steady growing season produced outstanding fruit. The three words most used to describe this vintage are, "early, even and excellent." Like 2012 before it, we were blessed with lovely hang time conditions through October, allowing us to take our time scheduling picks without any significant weather events forcing our hand. It was a year of abundance and high quality.

## Vineyard & Winemaking Notes:

We make our Cabernet Sauvignon by hand harvesting as early as we can to prevent excessive alcohol, and as late as we have to for ripe delicious flavors, always with an eye for balance and elegance. You will always find that bright fruit and lovely acidity inter-twined with silky tannins in Red Mare's Cabernet Sauvignon. We source our fruit from organic or highly sustainable vineyards. Once in the cellar, we use old-world methods, favoring technique over additives.

Production: 1,576 cases TA: 6.22 g/L pH: 3.76 Alc: 14.8% 100% French Oak 33% New Oak Vineyard & Appellation Breakdown: 55% Alsace Vineyard ~ Rutherford 12% Crocker Vineyard ~ St Helena 22%Hestia Vineyard ~ Coombsville 9% Crocker Vineyard ~ St Helena ~ Cabernet Franc 2% Swickard Vineyard ~ Calistoga ~ Petite Sirah