

Appellation: Alexander Valley Blend: 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Petite Verdot, 6% Cabernet Franc, 4% Malbec Alcohol: 15.0% Barrel Regimen: 18 months in French oak; 50% new wood Acid: .59g/100ml pH: 3.83 Released: September 2016 Production: 1,021 cases

ARCHIMEDES



"Give me a place to stand, and I will move the Earth."

- ARCHIMEDES of Syracuse

2013 ARCHIMEDES

Considered to be one of the greatest mathematical minds of all time, Archimedes of ancient Greece, was also a physicist, astronomer, engineer, and inventor. The lever, compound pulley, and hydraulic screw are among his most noteworthy inventions. But he also became legendary for defeating the Roman army at sea by creating enormous reflective devices that used the sun's rays to ignite and burn their ships. The painting reproduced on our label memorializes this amazing moment in history. In admiration of this great innovator, Francis Coppola's grandfather Augusto named his first son Archimedes. With this wine we pay homage to Uncle Archimedes, a man who loved math and mechanics as much as his namesake.

WINE

Produced in very limited quantities, Archimedes is crafted from small lots of Cabernet Sauvignon and several other Bordeaux varietals. The wine matures in French oak barrels, much of it new oak, for nearly two years. During this maturation period the wine reaches a high degree of tannin development, flavor integration, and textural refinement. Given the weight and power of the Cabernet in this blend, the wine reaches its full potential with 3-5 years of additional cellaring. For those who wish to enjoy immediately, we recommend decanting for several hours prior to serving.

VINTAGE

2013 was an outstanding vintage. Despite it being one of the driest growing seasons on record, moderate temperatures throughout the season allowed the fruit to hang on the vines longer than normal. This allowed the grapes to develop intense concentration and profuse aromatics. This vintage will certainly be remembered as one of the finest of the decade.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Rich and textural on the palate, this sophisticated, full-bodied wine offers lush extraction, vibrant fruit expressions, and ample tannin structure. Nuances of blackberries, blueberries, cassis, tobacco, and violets are layered between fragrant spices and notes of smoke that complement the dark, juicy fruits. As the wine opens up, red fruit impressions emerge along with an edge of toasted caramel for a long, alluring finish.



