

"The inspiration for the Diamond Collection was a bottle of 1906 Claret we found in the cellar of the Napa Valley property we purchased in 1975. I designed a new label reminiscent of this old bottle and created the Diamond Collection Black Label Claret, which is our company's most recognized offering. Today, Diamond Collection includes 13 varietals, each identified with a brightly colored label. The quality and authenticity of Diamond Collection is extremely important because we are a family company and our name is on the label. As such, you can trust that we'll always give you the very best."

—Francis Ford Coppola

FRANCIS COPPOLA DIAMOND COLLECTION 2014 MALBEC

While making a film in Argentina, Francis Coppola fell in love with Malbec, Argentina's most popular varietal. When he returned to the U.S. he asked if we could start producing our own. Not many people in California were making this varietal at the time so we're proud to be one of the first California producers to bottle Malbec as a single varietal. Less tannic than Cabernet, more structured than Merlot, Malbec is hearty but smooth on the palate. Over the years, we've perfected our cultivation and winemaking methods to bring you a Malbec of great complexity that boasts dark, rich fruit flavors with a distinctive mineral note.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2014 growing season was extremely dry and warm. Sunny summer days ripened the fruit ahead of schedule setting us up for an unusually early harvest. When the fruit was brought in, we were extremely pleased with the level of complexity it had to offer. In addition to being very well balanced, this year's wine displays texture and depth supported by supple tannins.

TASTING PROFILE

Appearance Red magenta

Aromas Blackberry, anise, pepper, leather

Flavors Plum, currants, espresso beans, minerals

Appellation Blend California 75% Malbec

25% Petite Sirah

MALBE

Alcohol 13.7%
Total Acid .61g/100ml

pH 3.63

Barrel Regimen 12 months French oak

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