

DIRECTOR'S CUT SPECIAL EDITION 2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

AN ARTISTIC EXPRESSION

In the film business, the "Director's Cut" emerged as a means for filmmakers to present their own creative vision of a story. At the Francis Ford Coppola Winery, Director's Cut wines were created as a way for wine "director" Corey Beck to craft wines that would reflect his own unique interpretation of the quintessential Sonoma wine. That vision embraces appellation-specific sourcing, meticulous fruit selection, and numerous blending trials so that the wines capture the distinct nuances of Sonoma's microclimates in a highly refined style.

THE BLEND

Director's Cut Special Edition is a robust blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdot and Malbec sourced from the most prestigious vineyards in Alexander Valley. Dramatic in character, this lush, full-bodied red offers layers of rich, expressive fruit and aromatic notes of seasoned wood, exotic spices, and subtle earth tones too numerous to count. The tremendous complexity inherent in these fruit selections is derived from a unique terroir that's been influenced for centuries by the nearby mountains and ocean.

VINTAGE NOTES

2015 was an outstanding vintage that produced extremely high quality grapes. Warm dry conditions throughout spring and summer helped reduce yields. From this climate we harvested smaller than normal berries that offered intense concentration, but were also balanced by a vibrant natural acidity for structure.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Deeply colored and beautifully textured, the pure aromas of this wine resonate on the palate. This is a classic Alexander Valley Cabernet, with a black fruit profile that's complimented by well-balanced oak flavors. Scents of black plums, black currant and baked berries are laced with earthy spice notes of cloves, cigar box, and dried lavender. Its mouthfilling flavors are vivid and juicy, elevated by a framework of velvety tannins. As the wine opens up, fragrant notes of wood and mocha emerge on the long sultry finish.



BLEND: 77% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Petite Verdot, 7% Malbec

TOTAL ACID: .57/100ml

BARREL REGIMEN: 20 months French oak

