



2013 AIDA ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Harvest Dates: September 16 — September 26, 2013

Barrel Age: 20 months, 75% new French Oak

Cooperage: Taransaud, Demptos, Ermitage, and Baron

Bottling Date: June 2, 2015

Alcohol: 14.9%

Release Date: Spring 2016

Cases Produced: 786

Release Price: \$250 - 750ml

Library Price: \$395 - 750ml

THE VINEYARD Our Aida Estate Vineyard has confirmed our initial belief that this site would be ideal location for growing Bordeaux varietals. Just north of the pinch in the hourglass of the Napa Valley, the cabernet sauvignon grapes from our Aida Estate provide the bold, structured backbone for this immensely enjoyable wine.

THE VINTAGE The 2013 vintage will be remembered as one of the driest in recent history opening the year with a warm, dry spring. Bud break was early and canopy growth was vigorous—ideal conditions for flowering and fruit set. The growing season was consistent throughout with wonderfully healthy vine activity resulting in ideal cluster growth. Picture perfect weather continued into September and October allowing delicious flavor development while maintaining crisp acid profiles. The wines of 2013 are lusciously flavorful, beautifully balanced and will be hallmarks of your table and cellar for years to come.

THE WINE Our 2013 Aida Estate Cabernet Sauvignon opens with a enticing, expressive nose of chocolate covered cherries then continues to evolve revealing tantalizing scents of rich cocoa powder, scorched earth and iron-laden red soils heated by the sun after a summer rain. The well-structured backbone of fine-grained tannins lifts a bold acidity that indicates lengthy cellaring potential. The finish of this lush yet powerful wine lingers and lingers long after the last delicious sip. Our 2013 Aida Estate Cabernet will benefit from generous decanting for the next five years and will develop in your cellar for 20 and more years.

THE UPDATE Our 2013 Aida Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is a powerhouse wine, dark red in color with aromas of cherry and blackberry fruits supported by earthy hits of crushed rock, graphite and wet soil. The fruit profile on the palate is dark and brooding with firm tannins and a smooth velvety texture. As you swirl your glass the tannins soften and red and black fruit profiles open up and invite you back. This powerful wine will continue to age gracefully for well over ten additional years.