



THE PARING RED 2014:

This Cabernet-inspired blend shows the sanguine, focused fruit and shapely tannins that we've come to expect from the sandy soils and slightly cooler mesoclimate of these outstanding vineyard sites.

MATT DEES' WINEMAKER NOTES:

Utterly fascinating nose mixing lifted black fruit, savory green herbs and dark notes of grilled bread, espresso and anise. Fills the palate with bright red fruit and black plum. A constant play between sweet and savory. Gentle and dusty tannins lead the way into an incredibly long and precise finish. Mulberry sweetness and a wonderful tension between tannic structure and bright acidity. Balanced and refined, a study in elegance.

89 POINTS

Antonio Galloni Vinous September 2017

"The 2014 Red is absolutely delicious. Red berry, herb, licorice, smoke, menthol and dark spice notes all flesh out in the glass. Pliant and super-inviting, the 2014 is going to be irresistible upon release. I can't think of too many California Cabernets that deliver this much quality and pure pleasure for the money."

91 POINTS

Jeb Dunnuck jebdunnuck.com August 2017

"Another good value, the 2014 Paring Red (50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% each of Merlot and Cabernet Franc and the palate Petit Verdot) offers plenty of blackcurrant, toasted spice, graphite and licorice notes in a medium-bodied, chewy style. Drink it over the coming 7-8 years."

THE PARING MAKES ITS OWN RULES.



VINTAGE 2014

WINEMAKER Matt Dees

BLEND Cabernet Sauvignon: 50%, Merlot: 20%, Cabernet Franc: 20%, Petit Verdot: 10%

AVA California

BARREL AGING

Aged in French oak, 55% new and 45% neutral, for 22 months. Coopers include Taransaud, Sylvain, Bel Air and Dejarnac.

BOTTLED unfined and unfiltered

ALCOHOL 14.5%

CASES PRODUCED 9,600

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