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HERB LAMB VINEYARDS



2015 Two Old Dogs Cabernet Sauvignon

Winemaking Notes:

Winemaker Michael Trujillo calls this “A classic vintage, but a bit more opulent and fruit forward than the 2014, showing deeper blue and red fruits of dried cherry and black raspberry. There is a tobacco leaf and herbal character in the fruit which highlights the lushness of the wine. This wine is well balanced and very approachable, plush and juicy in the mouth, but with greater depth and more of a leathery character than the previous vintages.”

The difficult growing season gave this wine more structure and focus with more masculine characteristics. It shows great layers of fruit with a lengthy finish, and should continue to develop and mature in the bottle for years to come. The use of 80% new French Oak is reflected in the dusty cocoa mid-palate, but the oak is well-integrated for further aging.

Vintage Notes:

The 2015 vintage in Napa Valley will be remembered as one of extremes. Continued drought conditions over the winter followed by cold erratic weather at bloom resulted in reduced numbers of berries per bunch and decidedly smaller berries. The growing season was also notably warmer with 20 days of heat over 100 degrees, shriveling some of the fruit throughout the valley. The dry, hot summer further decreased the yields and concentrated the flavors, with some vineyards reporting as much as 50% drop in crop levels. But many vineyards, such as ours, weathered the heat spikes with canopy management and timely irrigation and produced less wine but wines with more concentration in the juice from the skin contact and extraction from the smaller berries.

Technical Data:

Alcohol: 14.4

Barrels: 80% new French oak

Appellation: Napa Valley

Case production: 440

Composition: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Suggested Retail Price: \$55