Beckstoffer Las Piedras

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vineyards and winery

NAPA VALLEY

100% cabernet sauvignon

2015

VINEYARD	*Las Piedras*
VARIETAL	*Cabernet Sauvignon*
APPELLATION	*St. Helena*
HARVEST DATE	*September 18*
BRIX	*27.8*

Kirk Venge's Notes

This Las Piedras Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon radiates a deep garnet color. Red fruit dominates the nose, with subtle whispers of rose petals, wet stone, and vanillin. The palate is consumed with freshly baked red raspberry compote, blue fruit, accentuated by intricately evolved tannins. The finish is extraordinary and will leave you thirsting for another sip.

Crafting the Beckstoffer Las Piedras Cabernet Sauvignon

Philosophy

Las Piedras Vineyard is the first known planting of wine grapes in what is now the St. Helena appellation, this vineyard dates back to 1860. It sits at the base of the Mayacamas mountain range, and the alluvial soils are predominately composed of gravel. For this reason, farm workers christened the lasd Las Piedras "little pebbles." We offer this bottle as a continued testament to the high standards of excellence in viticulture practiced by the Beckstoffer family and to the rich heritage of this historic Napa Valley vineyard.

Harvest

The fruit is hung on the vine until it reaches its optimum ripeness of both flavor and Brix (measured sugar concentration). It is then carefully hand harvested early in the cool hours of the morning into .5-ton macro bin boxes.

Winemaking

Carefully de-stemmed and optically sorted, the whole berries are moved to new French oak barrels for a five day cold soak prior to the onset of fermentation. Total fermentation time was 25 days in open top barrels. The barrel program is 100% tight grain new French oak for a total of 26 months.

Results

~ 2015 Las Piedras Cabernet Sauvignon was on January 23, 2018
~ Final wine values are 14.9% alcohol; 0.61g/100mL Titratable Acidity and 3.78 pH.
~ Unfined and unfinished