

# 2015 ROCKET SCIENCE BY CALDWELL

## Napa Valley Proprietary Red

Vintage:	Fourteenth
Composition:	35% Cabernet Sauvignon, 23% Syrah, 16% Pinot Noir, 10% Cabernet Franc, 9% Tannat, 7% Malbec
Appellation:	Napa Valley, Coombsville District
Vineyard:	Caldwell Vineyard Estate, Established 1981
Vineyard Blocks:	15, 18
Yield:	3.5 Tons per Acre
Average Vine Age:	22 Years
Clone:	Multiple
Rootstock:	Multiple
Vintage Summary:	The 2015 growing season started with a very early bud break, due to a warm fall. Less than ideal conditions during bloom resulted in a challenging set and smaller crop size. Warmer weather continued through an early veraison in July. With the lighter crop, sugars rose faster than anticipated and we saw a historically early harvest. Compared to the last three vintages, 2015 lacked uniformity in both cluster and berry size, and canopies were lighter. Yields were down at least 30% across all varieties.
Harvest Date:	Multiple
Fermentation:	87% New French Oak Barrels, 8% Once-Filled French Oak, 4% Stainless
Yeast:	Multiple
ML:	None
Wood Origin:	French Oak (Allier, Tronçais, Vosges)
Aging:	20 Months in 96% French Oak, 4% Stainless
New Oak Barrels:	87%
Fining:	No Fining
Filtering:	Filtered
Alcohol:	14.9%
Bottled on:	May 15, 2017
Winemaker's Tasting Notes:	An exotic nose of blackberry, blueberry, plum, violets, lilac, vanilla, coffee grounds, and hints of bacon fat. A raspberry attack leads to a vibrant mouth of red plum, boysenberry, red currant, licorice, and hints of thyme. Soft mocha tannins give way to a long finish of ripe pomegranate.
Cellaring:	2–6 Years
Production:	603 Cases
Price:	\$65 / 750 ml, \$160 / 1.5L

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