2015 CALDWELL SILVER

ESTATE GROWN

Vintage:

Sixteenth

Composition:

34% Merlot, 29% Cabernet Franc, 24% Malbec,

8% Petit Verdot, 4% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Syrah

Clones:

Merlot-181, Cabernet Franc-332, Malbec-595, Petit Verdot-400, Cabernet Sauvignon-337

Appellation:

Napa Valley, Coombsville District

Vineyard:

Caldwell Vineyard Estate, established 1981

Block:

8, 10, 15 & 17

Yield:

2.5 Tons per Acre

Average Vine Age:

22 Years

Grape Varieties:

Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec, Petit Verdot, Cabernet Sauvignon

Rootstock:

3309. 5BB. 5C

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. Warmer conditions continued through an early veraison in July. With the lighter crop, sugars rose faster than

anticipated and harvest came historically early.

The 2015 vintage had lack of uniformity within the clusters and lighter canopies compared to 2012, 2013 and 2014, and vineyard yield was down at least 30% across all varieties. Berry sizes also varied widely within varieties because of the challenging set.

Harvest Date:

Fermentation:

Tank and New French Oak 59-Gal Barrels

Yeast:

Natural

ML:

Natural

Wood Origin:

100% French (Allier, Tronçais, Vosges)

Aging:

21 Months in Barrel

New Oak Barrels:

100%

Fining:

None

Filtering:

Filtered

Alcohol:

15.0%

Bottled on:

June 21, 2017

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: The bright raspberry attack leads to a structured mouth of cherry, blackcurrant, pomegranate, and black tea leaf with hints of bell pepper. Structured, dark chocolate tannins dissolve into a long

sweet, red currant finish.

Cellaring:

2-8 Years

Production:

231 Cases

Price:

\$175 / 750ml