

Syrah

2015

Vintage:	Eighth
Composition:	100% Syrah
Clone:	470
Appellation:	Napa Valley, Coombsville District
Vineyard:	Caldwell Vineyard Estate, Established 1981
Block:	15, Kreuzer Canyon
Yield:	2.5 Tons per Acre
Average Vine Age:	18 Years
Grape Varieties:	Syrah
Rootstock:	3309

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:	Tank and New French Oak 59-Gal Barrels
Yeast:	Natural
ML:	Natural
Wood Origin:	French Oak (Allier, Tronçais, Vosges)
Aging:	21 Months
New Oak Barrels:	100%
Fining:	None
Filtering:	Filtered
Alcohol:	15.6%
Bottling Date:	June 15, 2017

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: A perfumed nose of ripe blackberry, mulberry, cherry, violet, nutmeg, and rose petals. A black cherry attack leads to a juicy mouth of blackberry, currant, plum, black tea, and white pepper. Silky smooth tannins melt into a milk chocolate-covered raspberry finish.

Cellaring:	2–8 Years
Production:	48 Cases
Price:	\$65/750 ml

