

## **TECHNICAL DATA**

**APPELLATION:** St. Helena, Napa Valley, California

COMPOSITION (BLEND): 79% Cabernet Sawignon, 21% Petit Verdot

HARVEST DATES: September 25th and 27th, 2014

HARVEST PROCESS: Hand-picked into half-ton bins and berry-sorted on Vaucher Beguet Mistral system

HARVEST CHEMISTRIES: 28.1° Brix, total acidity .052 g/100ml, pH 3.6

#### VINIFICATION:

YEAST: ICV D-254

**FERMENTATION:** 10 ton open-top tanks using

délestage and punchdowns

**TEMPERATURE:** Peak to 92°F cap temperature

 $\textbf{maceration:} \ Early \ inoculation \ followed \ by \ an$ 

12 day fermentation on skins

MALOLACTIC: 100% malolactic in barrels

MATURATION: 18 months in French oak barrels -

75% neu

BARREL TYPE: 60 gallon Bordeaux export

FORESTS: Center of France

**COOPERS:** Saury, center of France, medium and

medium-long toast

POST MATURATION: Bottle-aged 12 months prior

to release

## BOTTLING CHEMISTRIES:

рн: 3.6

TOTAL ACIDITY: .058 g/100ml ALCOHOL: 14.8% by volume

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0.06 g/100ml (dry)

CASES PRODUCED: 4,682 six-bottle cases

**CELLARING:** Highly structured at release, with a

10 year-plus aging aptitude.



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# 2014 J. LOHR CAROL'S VINEYARD CABERNET SAUVIGNON

ST. HELENA NAPA VALLEY

## **VINTAGE**

The 2014 vintage was largely defined by the heavy rain events in April that filled the soil moisture profile, and were followed by one of the warmest vintages since 2004. Under our new irrigation regime of infrequent - but deep - waterings, we gave just three applications for the season. We saw a noteable shift in wine quality from the sections of the vineyard with the heavy soils, to the point that those sections produced wine superior in quality to that

of the weaker sections that had historically been the source of our best lots. We continue to adore the integration of the Petit Verdot in the blend for its luxurious texture and blue fruit aroma.

## **VINEYARD**

Carol's Vineyard lies in northern St. Helena along the Napa River at Pratt Avenue. Comprised of 16.4 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon (Clone 337 on 3309 rootstock) and 4.3 acres of Petit Verdot (Clone 400 on 3309 rootstock), the well-drained, gravelly, sandy loam soil and Bordeaux-like climate of the Napa Valley is ideally suited to producing richly textured, luxury-quality fruit.

#### **WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS**

The 2014 vintage of J. Lohr Carol's Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon expresses this classic valley floor site in an approachable way. Savory fruit elements wrapped in a barrel signature of hazelnut and cocoa powder. Firm and angular in structure with red and blue fruits on the finish.

—Steve Peck, red winemaker

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# **FOOD PAIRINGS**

Excellent with grilled entrecôte and shallots, or a roasted pork loin with porcini mushrooms and fennel.





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