

Lamborn "Vintage XIII" Cabernet Sauvignon 2015

100% estate grown Howell Mountain, Napa Valley Cabernet

Drought conditions and higher than average temperatures during the 2014/2015 winter caused the soils to warm up early, even more so than we had seen in 2013 and 2014. A cool May, during flowering, had some effect in lowering yields in this vintage, however throughout the year temperatures were higher than normal. We had 26 days over 100 degrees in Napa Valley, whereas in a normal year we might see 10-12, making grape dehydration an issue. This is a classic Napa Valley vintage built on opulence, texture, and voluptuousness. Despite 2015 being a warm year, wines from this vintage are quite fresh as well.

Winemaker Heidi Barrett's tasting notes:

"This sets the standard of what mountain Cabernet should be. With a cellar life of 20+ years but showing beautifully out of the bottle now, the bouquet is similar in its evolution in your glass. Rich notes of wild blueberry and currant, more concentrated and round thanks to the smaller vintage, open up to boysenberry, roasted coffee, and textured layers of vanilla - compliments of our medium toast French oak barrels. A rich and structured mouthfeel, thanks in part to the Lamborn vineyard's celebrated fine tannin, carries this beautiful wine from beginning to end, with a long finish. Yet another extraordinary mountaintop Cabernet from Lamborn that will exceed your expectations!"

Winemaker: Heidi Barrett
Appellation: Howell Mountain

Varietal: 100% estate grown Cabernet Sauvignon

Harvested: September 19th, 2015

Cases Produced: 403 Alcohol: 14.9%

Cooperage: French, 34% new

Membership price: \$115/bottle

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