



92 points, Robert Parker

Lamborn “Vintage XII” Cabernet Sauvignon 2014

100% estate grown Howell Mountain, Napa Valley Cabernet

2014 was a dream vintage for Napa Valley growers. Harvest was unusually early for Napa’s grape farmers, even Cab which typically ripens much later. California’s ongoing drought finally offered some relief for the stressed vines with rain late in February and early March, setting the vines up for a vigorous start. “Early” was the keyword all season, from bud break to veraison to harvest, and thankfully the hotter months proved to be milder than most expected. 2014 on Howell Mountain produced fruit of outstanding quality, resulting in beautiful wines that tend to be darker and more concentrated than the ‘12s, but more approachable than the tightly packed wines of 2013.

Winemaker Heidi Barrett’s tasting notes:

“Intensely alluring and beautifully approachable, this estate Cabernet from Lamborn exudes deep, rich fruit, with the color and aromas to match. This is a full-bodied and fruit-focused wine of blackberry and currant, with lower acidity and sweeter tannin than its predecessor. Exceptional mid-palate texture and great length, this is a mountain Cab you can’t get enough of. Drink over the next 20 years.”



Winemaker:	Heidi Barrett
Appellation:	Howell Mountain
Varietal:	100% estate grown Cabernet Sauvignon
Harvested:	September 16th and 19th, 2014
Cases Produced:	474
Alcohol:	14.8%
Cooperage:	French, 34% new
Membership price:	\$100/bottle

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