

## 2014 La Sirena Cabernet Sauvignon Winemaker Notes/Fact Sheet

Cabernet Sauvignon is our flagship wine for La Sirena, and the best example of the elegance, balance, and beautiful opulence that I strive for in my red wines. Cabernet Sauvignon is what I am best known for, and what I have built my 30+ year reputation on, as well as my favorite wine to make. Cabernet lovers will recognize the winemaking style which is similar in blend profile to the famous and much-loved Screaming Eagle wines I made previously. With the richness & depth of Napa Valley Cabernet fruit on display, La Sirena Cabernet Sauvignon has a 20-year tradition of age-worthiness, velvety structure & powerful presence that is sure to make your palate swoon.

## Just the Facts:

Harvest Dates: Sept 10, Sept 29, Sept 22 & 23, 2014 Blend: 91% Cabernet Sauvignon, 5.0% Merlot, 2.0% Petit Verdot, 2% Cab Franc Some Chemistry: 15.2% alc., T.A. 6.1, pH 3.78 100% French oak barrels 22 months, variety of coopers and barrel ages Bottling date: June 20, 2016 Release date: Nov 10, 2017 Production: **588cs**, and 90 etched magnums, gold leafed and signed.

## Tasting Notes: Tasted 10/30/17 by HPB

Our beautiful 2014 Cab is dark blackberry in color with open aromas of ripe berries, currants, cocoa powder, and a hint of licorice. Very pure and concentrated with lovely french oak nuances and layers. Across the palate, it is expressive, explosive yet refined, with great balance and ripeness, and no trace of bitterness. Perfectly chewy textural tannins in the mid palate with amazing length. Impressive right out of the gate, but will prove to be quite age worthy as well. I think this wine is really delicious and hope you love it too!

Why "La Sirena"? The name means "the Mermaid" in Spanish and Italian. I chose it because I was looking for something fun and magical (like wine) and because I love to scuba dive as well as make wine. Our first vintage of La Sirena was 1994, making only a couple hundred cases of Sangiovese through 1999. We introduced the first Cabernet Sauvignon with the 1996 vintage, and the first dry Muscat in 2003. Our current lineup includes: Cabernet Sauvignon, "Le Barrettage" Rhone style blend, Malbec, Grenache, Moscato Azul (dry Muscat Canelli), our winemaker blends PIRATE TreasuRed and our charity wine, ART BUS. Production is always small, focusing on fine handmade wines of purity and excellence, the best that can be made. Wishing you all the best!

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