Signature
2013 + PASO ROBLES

“Signature” is the winemaker’s hallmark blend of the vintage that is unconstrained by convention to create a memorable, age-worthy wine of distinction and balance—in other words the signature wine of the vintage. This year’s blend is made from Petit Verdot and Petite Sirah—two varieties that frequently find a unique balance in our region. Both varieties are known for their intense color, generous amount of flavor and rich tannins that will continue to develop with proper aging.

Petit Verdot comes from both our Adelaida Springs Ranch and Huerhuero vineyards while Petite Sirah is sourced from our Creston Valley Vineyard. At an elevation of 1,700 feet and just 12 miles from the Pacific Ocean, Adelaida Springs Ranch is a small vineyard planted in rocky calcareous soils, resulting from uplifted ancient sea beds. Huerhuero, in the hilly terrain between the El Pomar and Geneseo Districts, benefits from its calcareous subsoils and the moderating Pacific breezes that blow through the Templeton Gap in the afternoon. Creston Valley Vineyard has picture perfect high terrain southern exposure and shallow soils with noticeable granulated limestone. These vineyards have very limiting soils that produce tiny berries, low yields and intense, concentrated wines with remarkable balance and structure. This vintage reflects the 12th anniversary of this limited-production Estate Cuvée that was aged in selected tight grain French oak barrels for 20 months.

Tasting Notes
COLOR: Deep garnet
AROMA: Black raspberries and dried plums with mocha spice and floral notes
TASTE: Full-bodied with dark fruit; chewy and chalky textured tannins linger into a rich finish

Recommendations
Serve at 62° – 65° F
Enjoy now through 2030
Store in dark dry place at 55° – 65° F
Decanting recommended
Pairing suggestions: Short ribs, venison Osso Buco or gorgonzola gnocchi

Technical Notes
Harvest dates
10.02.13 – 10.17.13
VINEYARD
BRIX
Adelaida Springs Ranch 26.6
Huerhuero
Creston Valley
Blend
Petit Verdot 47%
Petit Verdot 32%
Petite Sirah 21%
AGING: 20 months in French oak barrels
BOTTLING DATE: 06.08.15
RELEASE DATE: 09.02.16
CASES PRODUCED: 727 (packed in 1,454 6-bottle cases)
ALCOHOL: 14.6%
P H: 3.94
TOTAL ACIDITY: 5.6 g/L