

VARIETAL COLLECTION

Tannat

2014

Vintage:	Seventh
Composition:	100% Tannat
Clone:	Tannat Clone 474
Appellation:	Napa Valley, Coombsville District
Vineyard:	Caldwell Vineyard Estate, Established 1981
Block:	17, Kreuzer Canyon
Yield:	2.5 Tons per Acre
Average Vine Age:	10 Years
Grape Varieties:	Tannat
Rootstock:	3309

Vintage Summary: The 2014 growing season started with an early bud break due to an early spring. As in the previous year, ideal conditions during bloom allowed for an almost perfect set. The temperate conditions continued through veraison in July and August. The August earthquake did not affect the vines or the start of harvest, which began early with ideal moderate temperatures.

The 2014 vintage had very uniform clusters and balanced to light canopies compared to those of 2013 and 2012. The wonderful set gave a more “normal” yield for the early varieties, but the lack of soil moisture affected the canopies of the later varieties such that our yields were lower than planned. Berry and cluster sizes were also small. Due to the early start, we were able to pick out before the late October rains.

Harvest Date:	September 24 & October 6, 2014
Fermentation:	100% New French Oak
Yeast:	Caldwell Native Yeast
ML:	Natural
Wood Origin:	Central France (Oak)
Aging:	20 Months
New Oak Barrels:	100%
Fining/Filtering:	None / Filtered
Alcohol:	15.4%
Bottling Date:	April 18, 2016

Winemaker’s Tasting Notes: A perfumed nose of bing cherry, cranberry, plum, rose petals, citrus blossoms, and cocoa. A red cherry attack leads to a full mouth of red raspberry, red currant, pomegranate, rhubarb, fresh beets, and hints of orange zest. The mulberry finish is full of flavor, long and refreshing.

Cellaring:	2–9 Years
Production:	129 Cases
Price:	\$95/750ml

