



CHALK HILL

ESTATE BOTTLED

2012 MALBEC

WE ARE PLEASED to present our 2012 Malbec! This wine came from three blocks at our new 56-acre Estate West vineyard located on a contiguous piece of property just across Chalk Hill Road from the winery. These west-facing sites feature clay, rock and loam soils that are perfect for Malbec. There is also 4% of Petit Verdot coming from the Estate West Vineyard as well; this is added to help give the wine a harmonious balance.

Of all the Bordeaux varieties, Malbec is surely the most generous and hedonistic. This 2012 proves the point with its powerful aromatics of blueberry, dried thyme, roasted meat, and cedar. The palate is filled with flavors of blueberries, cherries, vanilla, and dark chocolate. Truly a delicious wine, the big and bold tannins make this a perfect pairing with a roasted pork loin. This Malbec will age beautifully over the next 6-8 years.

H A R V E S T

Harvest Date: OCTOBER 1-20, 2012

Average Yields: 2.2 TONS/ACRE

Average Brix at Harvest: 25.8°

F E R M E N T A T I O N / B A R R E L

CULTURED YEAST FERMENTATION IN STAINLESS STEEL

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION WITH BÂTONNAGE

Cooperage: 100% FRENCH OAK (67% NEW)

Barrel Aging: 20 MONTHS

W I N E

Blend: 96% MALBEC, 4% PETIT VERDOT

Bottling Date: AUGUST 25, 2014

pH: 3.89 *TA:* 5.5 G/L *Alcohol:* 15.3%

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