



CHALK HILL

CHAIRMAN'S CLUB

2014 CARMÉNÈRE

OUR ESTATE WEST VINEYARD is a spectacular site with a warm south-facing slope perfect for growing red Bordeaux varieties. The rocky, porous volcanic soil challenges the vines. Yields are low, and the grapes are incredibly dark and flavorful. Cabernet Sauvignon thrives here. Our two acres of Carménère were originally planted as an experiment, but it has become a key player in some of our blends. In fact, this wine is composed of 94% Carménère with the balance being Cabernet Sauvignon.

Carménère is known for its bold dark berry and vegetal notes. Mainly found in Chile today, this unique varietal originated in Bordeaux, France and is a rare find in the U.S. Our 2014 Carménère displays striking aromas of black cherry jam on the forefront with black tea, pepper and dried herbs. Its silky tannins frame the bold flavors of blackberry, raspberry, green peppercorn and mocha for a velvety finish.

HARVEST

Harvest Dates: OCTOBER 13, 2014

Average Yields: 1.65 TONS/ACRE

Average Brix at Harvest: 26.9°

FERMENTATION / BARREL

STAINLESS STEEL FERMENTATION WITH PUMPOVERS

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION WITH BÂTONNAGE

Cooperage: 100% FRENCH OAK, 60% NEW

Barrel Aging: 22 MONTHS

WINE

Blend: 94% CARMÉNÈRE, 6% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Bottling Date: AUGUST 4, 2016

pH: 3.82 *TA:* 6.0 G/L *Alcohol:* 14.9%