

2013

BRICOLAGE

GRENACHE

29% Entav Clone 362 • 24% Entav Clone 224 • 22% Entav Clone 287 18% Alban Clone • 3% Entav Clone 136 • 4% Mourvèdre Entav Clone 369

Production: 175 Cases • Bottled: February 2015 • 15 Months in Oak

Alc: 14.8% pH: 3.78 TA: 5.1 g/L

SONOMA VALLEY ESTATE GROWN

Great artistry is often the result of experimentation. At Lasseter Family Winery we continually strive to improve and reach higher. The word "Bricolage" is French for 'an assemblage of found materials,' or 'tinkering.' Bricolage celebrates unique wines born of creative tinkering, whether the result of novel winemaking techniques or new assemblages. These bottlings are very unique, limited runs that highlight the best of our experiments; they may never reoccur. This wine is the result of our efforts to realize the full potential of the Rhone varietals, particularly Grenache. We vinified small lots of five different clones of Grenache planted in our Justi Creek Vineyards to garner a greater understanding of their nuances. This wine is a blend of those five Grenache clones, Entav 136, 224, 287, 362 and Alban along with a splash of Mourvèdre, Entav clone 369. The resulting wine has an aroma of ripe strawberries, rich fruit flavors and a long, supple finish. Taste our pursuit of excellence.

JUSTI CREEK VINEYARDS UPPER BENCH & CREEKSIDE BLOCKS

The Lasseter Family Winery estate in Sonoma Valley is rich in historical significance, encompassing organically farmed vineyards and an eco-friendly winery, Justi Creek Vineyards, part of the stunning 95-acre ranch on the outskirts of Glen Ellen, is comprised of three adjacent parcels of land, formerly parts of Rancho Vallejo and Rancho Los Guilicos. Nancy and John Lasseter embarked on an environmentally sensitive upgrading of their property, lovingly restoring the natural habitat and converting the vineyards exclusively to organic farming practices. The pond was completely revitalized, and beehives and insectaries were established in order to provide homes for beneficial insects. The certified organic vineyards are flourishing under the watchful eye of vineyard manager Phil Coturri. Today the land is alive and once again expresses this historical region's unique terroir. Our Grenache is grown in three areas of our Justi Creek Vineyards—The Upper Bench, Heritage and Creekside Blocks. The Upper Bench Blocks and Heritage Blocks are twenty three acres of benchland situated 500 feet above the valley floor. The fast draining cobbly soils of these blocks are ideally suited to the Rhone varietals, particularly Grenache. The Creekside Blocks are comprised of seven acres of vineyard situated on a rocky alluvial fan on the east side of Calabasas Creek. This blend of Grenache clones showcases the richness of fruit and suppleness of texture that makes Grenache a wine to treasure.

Winemaker: Julia Iantosca

