



2012

BRICOLAGE

60% Syrah
Clone 174 & 470

20% Cabernet Sauvignon
Clone 15 & 337

20% Merlot
Clone 595

Production: 100 Cases • Bottled: February 2014 • 16 Months in Oak

Alc: 14.8%

pH: 3.81

TA: 5.5 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 vintage of Bricolage was inspired by the Shiraz-Cabernet blends of Australia. We explored the possibilities of a similar pairing from our own Justi Creek Vineyards. While intrigued by the combination of Syrah and Cabernet Sauvignon, it was the addition of our beloved Malbec that completed this blend, making it uniquely our own. The wine is deep garnet in color with beguiling aromas of black cherry, cola and anise. On the palate the ripe fruit flavors are rich, the texture is supple and the finish is long and lingering.

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. The Upper Bench Blocks are seventeen acres of benchland situated above the valley floor. The fast-draining, cobbly soils of these blocks are ideal for the Bordeaux varietals Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec. The Rhone varietal Syrah grows on the seven acre Creekside Blocks, along the east side of the Calabasas Creek on a rocky alluvial fan. This unique blend showcases the luscious fruit and bold flavors that are the hallmark of our vineyards.

Winemaker: Julia Iantosca

