



2013

## REMINISCENCE

80% Cabernet Sauvignon

*Clone 15 & 337*

15% Merlot

*Clone 181*

5% Cabernet Franc

*Clone 214*

Production: 200 Cases • Bottled: November 2015 • 24 Months in Oak

Alc: 14.8%

pH: 3.73

TA: 6.2 g/L

### SONOMA VALLEY ESTATE GROWN

The superior terroir of Sonoma Valley has been recognized since the late 1800's. Our Justi Creek Vineyards lie at the heart of this fabled region. Inspired by the French settler who first established a winery on our land, we crafted this Cabernet based blend. Fascinated by stories of trailblazing vintners, we named this blend 'Reminiscence', paying homage to these pioneer winemakers, their heirloom farming traditions and classic winemaking techniques. Our organically farmed vineyards are planted with two high quality Cabernet Sauvignon clones, Entav 15 and 337. Together these clones offer the richness and finesse of all great Cabernets. Merlot and Cabernet Franc complete the blend, offering suppleness and aromatic intrigue. Aged 24 months in French Oak, the wine leads with notes of cassis and spice. On the palate, ripe fruit and toasty oak meld, giving dimension and complexity. An unforgettable wine, recalled with nostalgia.

### JUSTI CREEK VINEYARDS UPPER BENCH 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, on undulating terrain known locally as the "Glen Ellen Moguls." The fast-draining, cobbly soils of these blocks are ideal for the red Bordeaux varieties Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Merlot. With this vintage of Reminiscence, a Cabernet Sauvignon based blend, we give a nod to the history of our home in Sonoma Valley and a taste of the world-class caliber of our Justi Creek Vineyards.

*Winemaker: Julia Iantosca*

