



ARAUJO ESTATE WINES 2013 ALTAGRACIA CABERNET SAUVIGNON

WINEGROWING INFORMATION

The warm spring of 2013 brought few frosts, but also exceptionally little rain. These conditions resulted in small berry sizes giving excellent flavor concentration and structure to the wine. Summer provided optimal ripening conditions, with overcast mornings, mild temperatures during the day and cool nights. The first Cabernet Sauvignon parcels were picked on September 12th under ideal conditions, and harvest was completed on October 1st. The fruit was delicious, intense and very complex.

2013 will likely be remembered as one of the greatest vintages in the history of the Napa Valley, and it is also one with particular significance for the estate, as the first vintage “from berry to bottle” under the Pinault family ownership.

TASTING NOTES

Our winemaking team notes: *“At first, the nose reveals rose petal notes with a hint of peony, then it opens up with blackcurrant, dark cherry aromas and a pinch of licorice. The mouthfeel is unctuous and succulent with a savory black fruit sustained by tight tannins and a finish on blond tobacco notes. This may be the finest Altagracia to date, deeper and more concentrated than 2012, with a darker character and a great ageing potential. It is in essence the more approachable little brother of the Eisele Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon.”*

GRAPE SOURCE

80% Cabernet Sauvignon
10% Cabernet Franc
6% Petit Verdot
4% Malbec
Napa Valley

PRODUCTION & TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol : 14.8%
Release date : March 9, 2016

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