

HENDRY 
CELEBRATING 79 YEARS of WINEGROWING
1939 - 2018

HENDRY VINEYARD
NAPA VALLEY

2015 MALBEC

The Hendry Vineyard is located on bench lands west of the town of Napa. The vines grow on thin, stony clay soil between 200 and 300 feet above sea level. Morning fog and strong afternoon breezes from San Pablo Bay moderate the climate.

Each year, we pick each of our small blocks of the Bordeaux varietals and ferment and barrel age them individually. Occasionally, we release them as very small quantity, single-varietal bottlings such as this one.

The 3.05 acres of Block 14 were planted in 1995. In 2015, budbreak in Block 14 was March 13th, bloom was May 5th, veraison July 21st, and harvest was on August 27th, with a yield of 2.07 tons per acre. After cold-soaking and primary fermentation, the wine underwent malolactic fermentation in barrel and was aged 15 months in French oak barrels, approximately 40% of which were new.

Deep purple color. Deep, dark fruit, bay leaf and high-toned toast and cinnamon stick aromas on the nose. Dense mouthfeel, medium-full bodied, becoming silkier with air exposure, highlighting the deep blackberry fruit and dried fruit flavors. Robust tannins and a little acidic brightness in the long finish. Decanting will allow more of the soft floral, herbal and deep berry aromas to emerge. The tannins in this wine will make a terrific foil for richer cuts of beef and game, a garlicky rack of lamb, pot roasts and stews, maybe even a big juicy burger with sautéed mushrooms...

Alcohol 14.7%.

275 cases produced

TA: 6.4

VA: .64