## Buena Vista Minery

## THE FOUNDER

2013 SONOMA COUNTY RED WINE



Alcohol: 15% TA: 5.82 g/L pH: 3.75

**Aging**: 100% French Oak, 45% new for 21 months

**Varietals**: 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Malbec, 5% Petite Sirah

**Appellation**: Sonoma County

The 2013 Founder Red Wine from Buena Vista Winery celebrates and honors Buena Vista's founder, Count Agoston Haraszthy, and the pioneering role he played in creating the California wine world. The Founder, true to the Count's legacy, is a bold wine with a gold medallion predominantly featuring the Haraszthy family crest adorning the bottle.

"The Count of Buena Vista," Agoston Haraszthy was a vivacious pioneer whose love affair with grape-growing started in his homeland of Hungary. Born into the landed nobility in Hungary, Harazsthy grew up amidst famed vineyards and orchards that had been in his family for centuries. Surrounded by tales of intrigue and political exile, The Count emigrated from Europe in 1840 in pursuit of opportunity and freedom in the burgeoning American West. Following the forty-niners in search of gold in the hills of Northern California, Haraszthy sought "purple gold" – the perfect 'terroir' for exceptional wine. He ultimately settled in Sonoma, birthplace of California and capital of the short-lived California Republic, where he founded Buena Vista Winery in 1857.

The Founder is an expressive blend, bringing together Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec and Petit Sirah harvested from distinguished vineyards across Sonoma Valley. The wine was fermented in closed-top fermenters with extended maceration wand was aged for 21 months in 100% French oak (45% new) for 21 months before being bottled unfiltered.

Our 2013 Founder Red Wine offers enticing aromas of raspberry jam, fresh pie crust and a touch of baking spice. Ripe fruit flavors, black fig, cocoa, hazelnut and a touch of spice all mingle across the palate. This full bodied, well balanced wine will age beautifully while also being ready to be enjoyed upon release.