PAUL HOBBS

2013 CABERNET SAUVIGNON BECKSTOFFER DR. CRANE VINEYARD ST. HELENA. NAPA VALLEY

Vineyard

Owner: Andy BeckstofferClonal Selection: 337, 4Rootstock: 110r

Plant Date: 1998

Soils: Gravelly, alluvial soils, Cortina and Bale loam

Exposure: Eastern and western exposures

Trellis: Bilateral cordonYield: 3.7 tons/acre

GROWING SEASON

Summary: 2013 was a phenomenal growing season in just about every way. A warm, dry spring led to early bud break, limited canopy vigor and berry size, and created ideal conditions through bloom and fruit set. An abundance of long sunny days, with only one heat spike in early July, resulted in even ripening and an early harvest with exceptional flavor development. The 2013 vintage offers very high quality wines that are striking in their balance and expression.

Harvest Date: September 25th

■ Harvest Brix: 25.8°

WINEMAKING

- Hand-harvested, picked at night
- Hand-sorted while still cold from the field
- Fermented in small, closed top, stainless steel tanks with indigenous yeasts
- 6-day cold soak, 30 days total maceration
- Gentle pumpovers and delestage
- Aged 20 months in French Oak barrels; 100% new
- Coopers: Taransaud, Darnajou, Radoux, Baron, Marques
- Spontaneous malolactic fermentation in barrels
- Varietal Composition: 100% cabernet sauvignon
- Unfined and unfiltered; bottled June 2015

Notes

Sourced from hand selected blocks, this muscular cab shows concentrated notes of cassis
and espresso with cool herbal aromas of lavender and wet earth. The brooding palate leads
with blueberries, dark chocolate, and minerality. Finishing with stunning intensity, the
polished tannins are complemented by graphite and hints of cigar box. Alcohol 14.9%