



# ECO TERRENO

ARTISANAL SELECTIONS

## 2014 CABERNET SAUVIGNON ALEXANDER VALLEY

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### ABOUT ECO TERRENO

All our wines are produced from our own Estate Vineyards. In 1980, after an extensive search for the ideal Cabernet site in California, founder and Winemaker Mark Lyon bought a 122-acre vineyard (92 acres planted to vines, of which 67 acres was Cabernet) in Alexander Valley. Today the original Lyon Vineyard, planted in 1973 and the new Cisne Vineyard are thriving under the natural farming techniques, which forego using any herbicides, pesticides or chemical fertilizers. Eco Terreno converted their vineyards in 2013 to Biodynamic and Organic Viticulture, under the care and guidance of Daphne Amory, an expert in biodynamic viticulture.

### HARVEST NOTES

The 2014 vintage was a warmer growing season, which perfectly ripened Cabernet earlier than usual. Summer was typical California coastal weather for us, with cool fog in the morning clearing to sunny skies by early afternoon with temperatures soaring up into the 90's F and the quickly cooling off following sunset. This often-meant temperature swings of up to 50° F, which is preferable for Cabernet Sauvignon. Our Cabernet grapes were harvested last with the intention to make a riper, more fruit-forward style from Alexander Valley, but with added leafiness and complexity by incorporating Merlot and Cabernet Franc into the blend. Aging in French oak barrels both softened and enhanced the lush, black fruit.

### TASTING NOTES

Our 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon has a bright crimson color with a kaleidoscope of ruby and garnet on the rim. Cassis, blackberry, pomegranate, and caramel aromas fill the very fragrant nose. The flavors are consistent with luscious black cherry and ripe pomegranate impressions, presenting as well balanced and medium-full in body with soft tannins on the palate. The finish is medium long revealing cranberry and caramel impressions in this very drinkable Cabernet Sauvignon.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

<b>AVA:</b>	Alexander Valley
<b>HARVEST DATE:</b>	September 21 – October 15, 2014
<b>BLEND:</b>	85% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, 4% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot
<b>ALCOHOL BY VOLUME:</b>	14.5%
<b>TA:</b>	0.57 g/mL
<b>PH:</b>	3.83
<b>BARRELS:</b>	70% New Saury French oak, 30% 1 year old French oak
<b>TIME IN BARREL:</b>	15 months
<b>BOTTLING DATE:</b>	August 2016
<b>CASES PRODUCED:</b>	730
<b>SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE:</b>	\$32 per 750-mL