

# THE PARING



## THE PARING RED 2012:

This Bordeaux-inspired blend shows the sanguine, focused fruit and shapely tannins that we've come to expect from the sandy soils and slightly cooler mesoclimate of these outstanding vineyard sites.

## MATT DEES' WINEMAKER NOTES:

A dark and brooding cabernet sauvignon-based beauty. Gobs of smoky black fruit. Dusty and herbal notes emerge with air. With more time in the glass, attractive notes of baking spice arise. Remarkably powerful fruit on the attack followed closely by massive structure. Ample fine-grained tannins that completely coat the palate with a gentle hold. The next day this wine becomes luxurious and hints at the epic future ahead. An enormous, yet ultimately refined wine for the classic California cabernet lover, the tannin fanatic, the steak aficionado and the patient cellar tender.

THE PARING MAKES ITS OWN RULES.



**VINTAGE** 2012

**WINEMAKER** Matt Dees

**BLEND** Cabernet Sauvignon: 53%, Merlot: 24%, Cabernet Franc: 16%, Petit Verdot: 7%

**AVA** California

### BARREL AGING

Aged in French oak, 55% new and 45% neutral, for 22 months. Coopers include Taransaud, Sylvain, Bel Air and Dejarnac.

**BOTTLED** unfiltered and unfiltered

**ALCOHOL** 14.9%

**CASES PRODUCED** 9,600