

THE PARING



THE PARING RED 2016:

This Cabernet-inspired blend displays classic notes of cassis, tobacco and chocolate. Focused fruit and shapely tannins shine as hallmarks of what we've come to expect from the sandy soils and slightly cooler climate of our outstanding vineyard sites.

MATT DEES' WINEMAKER NOTES:

Utterly fascinating nose mixing lifted black fruit, savory green herbs and dark notes of grilled bread, espresso and anise. Fills the palate with bright red fruit and black plum. A constant play between sweet and savory. Gentle and dusty tannins lead the way into an incredibly long and precise finish. Mulberry sweetness and a wonderful tension between tannic structure and bright acidity. Balanced and refined, a study in elegance.

90 POINTS

"The 2016 Red is fabulous. Inky, bold and pungent, with terrific fruit density, the 2016 has so much to offer. Succulent dark cherry, plum, spice, grilled herbs, leather and licorice burst out of this vibrant Cabernet Sauvignon-base blend."

— Antonio Galloni *Vinous* September 2019

93 POINTS

"The 2016 Red Wine checks in as a blend of 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Cabernet Franc, 20% Merlot, and 10% Petit Verdot. Brilliant notes of cassis, tobacco leaf, damp earth, cedary herbs, and graphite all emerge from this concentrated, remarkably pure, elegant Bordeaux blend that has building tannins and a great, great finish. It tastes like it costs three times the price."

— Jeb Dunnuck *jebdunnuck.com* October 2019

THE PARING MAKES ITS OWN RULES.



VINTAGE 2016

WINEMAKER Matt Dees

BLEND Cabernet Sauvignon: 50%, Merlot: 20%, Cabernet Franc: 20%, Petit Verdot: 10%

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 14.5%

CASES PRODUCED 10,728