

THE PARING



THE PARING RED 2017:

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.

91 POINTS

"The Paring's Red overdelivers big time in 2017, as it so often does. A burst of dark red fruit tobacco, menthol, leather and spice open up first. Juicy and ample, with tons of voluptuousness, the 2017 is so expressive today. Hints of tobacco, cedar, licorice and grilled herbs add layers of aromatic complexity."

— Antonio Galloni *Vinous* August 2020

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"The Bordeaux blend, the 2017 Red Wine is based on 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Cabernet Franc, 20% Merlot, and 10% Petit Verdot. Deeply colored, with notes of blackcurrants, tobacco, leafy herbs, and earth, it has medium-bodied depth and richness on the palate, ripe tannins, and a character-filled, balanced style that's ideal for drinking over the coming 5-7 years or so."

— Jeb Dunnuck *jebdunnuck.com* August 2020

THE PARING MAKES ITS OWN RULES.



VINTAGE 2017

WINEMAKER Matt Dees

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

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 14.1%

CASES PRODUCED 7,625