NINE ESTATES

2013 NINER RED ESTATE GROWN



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All of the grapes in this blend were grown at one of our three estate vineyards: the Cabernet Franc at Heart Hill Vineyard located on the western side of Paso Robles; the Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon and Carmenere at Bootjack Ranch, located on the eastern side of Paso Robles; and the Syrah and Grenache at Jespersen Ranch, located in the Edna Valley region about 30 miles south of Paso Robles.

THE BLEND

This wine is a blend of some of our most powerful varietals. Almost equal portions of Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc give this wine brilliant structure and gratifying tannin, and the addition of Grenache and Barbara give depth and plushness.

IN THE WINERY

We hand-picked each varietal at night and then hand-sorted the grapes the following morning, delivering them to tank using gravity. Each varietal was fermented and barreled independently, and aged 10 months in a combination of French and Hungarian Oak. 48% of the oak was new adding warmth and richness to the blend.

WINEMAKER Patrick Muran

AVERAGE BRIX 23°

> pH / TA 3.4/ 6.3 g/L

> > ALCOHOL 14.8%

VINEYARD BLEND 62% Bootjack Ranch 25% Heart Hill Vineyard 13% Jespersen Ranch

VARIETAL BLEND 23% Syrah, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 17% Merlot, 17% Cabernet Franc, 13% Grenache, 6% Barbera, 2% Carmenere, 2% Petite Sirah

> COOPERAGE 48% New Oak 88% French Oak 12% Hungarian Oak

> > BARREL AGING 10 months

CASES PRODUCED 4,000

RETAIL PRICE \$20

TASTING NOTES

On the nose bright red fruit is infused with cozy aromas baking aromas of toasted sugar, cinnamon and nutmeg. This palate is instantly gratifying, following up the warmth of the nose with a full bodied and fruit driven finish accented by soft tannin, and excellent acid that provides structure and contrast.