

MALBEC

CASA DE VINAS
LIVERMORE VALLEY
v. 2013

SPECIFICATIONS

Vintage
2013

Wine Type
Red Wine

Appellation
Livermore Valley

Varietal Composition
100% Malbec
(Casa de Vinas)

Cooperage:
75% New French Oak
25% Second Use French Oak

Harvest Chemistry
27.2 Brix
3.71 pH
.59 TA

Alcohol %
14.6

Cases Produced
100

Retail : \$50

Nottingham Cellars Micro-Lot Reserve wines are produced from the finest vineyards in the Livermore Valley that showcase the region's ability to grow world class Bordeaux Varieties. Each variety is site specific and was chosen as one of our finest offerings available.

WINE PROFILE

The Vineyard

We grafted Cabernet Franc and Malbec in the winter of 2010 and 2013 got the first fruit from our efforts. The wines did not disappoint. In 2013 we sourced Malbec and Cabernet Franc as contingency plans to make sure this new fruit was of good enough quality to bottle on its own and be considered for Supremacy. In year 1 both were bottled as Micro-Lot Reserve wines and were both used in our flagship blend. We are extremely excited for the future of these amazing blocks

Winemaking

Harvested October 22nd, 2013. The fruit was brought to the winery and 2/3 was destemmed into open top bins and the last 1/3 into barrel fermenters. The barrels fermented on native yeast and the bins were inoculated with D254. The lots were pressed together and barreled down in primarily second use French Oak barrels and underwent spontaneous ML conversion. 4 Barrels were selected to make this wine.

Maker's Notes

The first year fruit from Casa was just amazing, and brings complexity to our portfolio and blending options for Supremacy. The Malbec from Casa De Vinas is highlighted by its red and black berry fruit and a sense of minerality. This is a vineyard driven note that comes from the distressed gravelly soils at Casa. As with all the fruit grown at this site, it has an inherent chocolate undertone that gives the wine a real sense of place.

