



Arietta Cabernet Sauvignon 2015

Notes from Winemaker Andy Erickson: This latest vintage for Arietta is 100% Cabernet Sauvignon. As with all Arietta wines, the grapes hail from the coolest areas of the Napa Valley, the Cabernet Sauvignon coming from Meteor Vineyards in Coombsville, in the southeastern corner of Napa Valley. This gives the wine a savory quality, with notes of gravel and fresh-cut wood dancing on top of a rich core of black fruits, including fresh blackberry, baked plum, and cassis. The dry conditions of the 2015 growing season only helped to concentrate and accentuate the expressive nature of the wine.

The Arietta Cabernet Sauvignon 2015 spent nearly a month on the skins, during a careful extended maceration. This added to the fruit intensity and mid-palate texture of the wine. Even at this early stage, it is showing a rich, extracted, but soft mouthfeel, and a very long finish. Like the other Arietta red wines from this vintage, this one will age for a very long time.

Blend: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Fruit Sources: 100% Coombsville

Age of Vines: 10-18 years

Elevage: Aged 22 months in French oak barrels, 49% new

Production: 142 cases