

Winemakers Notes: 2014 Cabernet Franc Livermore Valley

**<u>Description:</u>** Soft and elegant with aromas of sweet red raspberries, red licorice and strawberry. Soft red fruit on the palate with layers of vanilla, baking coco, black pepper, and cedar. Well balanced tannins with medium+ acid. This Cabernet Franc will get more elegant over time as it bottle ages. Enjoy!

**Varietals:** 90% White Cat Vineyard Cabernet Franc

5% One Oak Vineyard Merlot3% Smith Ranch Petit Verdot

2% Smith Ranch Cabernet Sauvignon

<u>Vineyard Notes:</u> White Cat Vineyard Greenville Road across is located in the Crane Ridge area located in Eastern side of Livermore off from the Poppy Hill Golf Course. Crane Ridge is in the foothills with rolling hills which is sunny from morning until dusk and has moderate winds in the afternoon. White Cat Vineyard only has one acre of Cabernet Franc which is thinned to yield 3-4 ton per acre. This vineyard produces a lighter style of Cabernet Franc, which winemaker Larry Dino prefers, with red fruit, lightly floral, and spice. Cuda Ridge receives the full acre yield to produce this high quality Cabernet Franc.

**Awards:** Silver Medal – 2017 SF Chronicle Wine Competition

90 Points – Wine Enthusiast Best Cab Franc- TVC Uncorked

Cases Produced: 304

**Barrel Treatment:** 19 Months in French Oak (40% New)

## **Vital Statistics:**

Al 14.3% Alcohol by Volume

TA .66 pH 3.82

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