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2015 MIA MADRE, RED WINE, NAPA VALLEY

The Wine:

“Rich and powerful, this expressive wine delivers depth and complexity, from dark fruit notes of summer blackberry to red fruit flavors of cassis and black cherry. Layers of spicy nutmeg, cinnamon and vanilla underscore a lovely savory herbal note. Brawny in character, this wine is sure to be age-worthy.”

—Jennifer Williams, Winemaker

The Vineyard:

We selected Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec and Petit Verdot for this blend from Coombsville, St. Helena and Calistoga, all of which have the ideal terroir for growing red Bordeaux varieties with layers of complex flavor. Malbec from Farella Vineyard at the foothills of the Vaca Mountains in Coombsville gave the wine its pronounced aromatics. Cabernet Sauvignon from Young-Inglewood Vineyard at the base of the Mayacamas Mountains in St. Helena contributed bold, decadent flavor, while a touch of Petit Verdot from DeKoven Vineyard in Calistoga lent the blend its lovely mineral character.

The Growing Season:

The 2015 growing season in Napa Valley was dry and hot, with an early fruit suit. Although the cooling influence of the San Pablo Bay helped to temper the scorching summer heat, harvest was considerably earlier than usual. Lower yields meant outstanding quality in the grape clusters, whose concentrated flavor is evident in the glass.

The Facts:

Appellation:	Napa Valley
Blend:	64% Cabernet Sauvignon; 27% Malbec; 9% Petit Verdot
Fermentation:	Stainless steel tanks
Aging:	21 months in French oak
Alcohol:	14.8%
Production:	75 Cases
Release:	August 9, 2017

