

BLACKBIRD VINEYARDS

ARISE

Artisanal producer of right bank Bordeaux-inspired wines

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2015 ARISE NAPA VALLEY PROPRIETARY RED WINE



The 2015 Arise's aromas of ripe blackberries, black currant, iris, forest floor, and clove are nothing short of charming, and just as every artist needs a muse, Arise is - without a doubt - the muse for Blackbird's current collection. With flavors of licorice, black cherry, nutty fig, cocoa powder, and tobacco this wine has a richly layered mid-palate that is complimented by smooth tannins, good density, and a long, lingering finish..

BLEND:	<i>28% Cabernet Franc, 21% Cabernet Sauvignon, 37% Merlot, and 14% Petit Verdot</i>
HARVEST:	<i>Fall 2015</i>
RELEASE:	<i>Fall 2017</i>
BARREL REGIME:	<i>21 months in French oak barrels - 50% new, 50% seasoned</i>
ALCOHOL:	<i>14.5%</i>
PRODUCTION:	<i>40 barrels</i>
OPTIMUM DRINKING:	<i>2017 - 2027</i>
PRICE:	<i>\$27.00 • \$54.00 • \$120.00</i>
FORMAT:	<i>375ml • 750ml • 1.5L</i>
UPC:	<i>855326003002</i>

VINEYARDS

Each wine in the portfolio is a true example of Blackbird's ongoing commitment to quality by partnering with a selection of Napa Valley's most prestigious vineyards.

Blackbird Vineyard - *Located in the Oak Knoll District, Blackbird's estate vineyard, with clay soils underlaid by gravel, is an ideal site for Merlot. The region's cool nights preserve acidity in the fruit, providing natural balance.*

Hudson Vineyard - *Perched on a rolling hillside in the cool climate of Carneros, the Hudson Vineyard is a high-quality fruit source for Merlot, Cabernet Franc, and Cabernet Sauvignon.*

Stagecoach Vineyard - *Atop the Vaca Mountains south of Pritchard Hill, the rocky, volcanic terroir of the Stagecoach Vineyard produces intense Merlot and Cabernet Franc.*

Crocker & Starr Vineyard - *The Crocker & Starr Vineyard's deep pocket of well-drained gravel creates aromatic Cabernet Franc with impressive structure and finesse.*

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Harvested, vinified, and aged with an identical commitment to quality as our principal wines, this classic Napa blend comprised of Merlot, Cabernet Franc, and Cabernet Sauvignon expresses luscious flavors that can only come from exceptional fruit.



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