

SAINT HELENA WINERY

2014 Sympa Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

Winemaker Notes: By Aaron Pott & Lindsey Wallingford

Inky purple hues precede aromas of cherry, plum, cola and coffee, with hints of forest floor and black licorice and a sense of creamy dulce de leche. Generous and rich flavors follow and linger on the palate,

supported by firm, fine-grained tannins.

Appellation: St. Helena, Napa Valley

Vineyard: St. Helena Winery Estate

The Estate vineyard lies on the Napa Valley floor in the St. Helena AVA. Sympa is grown on the south parcel, "Block 1," on a ribbon of gravel that is an ancient river bed with deep, light soils that stress the vines into low fruit production. The See clone of Cabernet Sauvignon planted in this block is from Joseph Phelps' Backus Vineyard. The vines are cane pruned and hand-tended to yield two clusters per shoot. The parcel yields two tons per acre. Cover crops are primarily legumes. Deficit

irrigation practices are used.

Winemaking: Harvested September 26, 2014

Hand harvested, cluster and berry sorted

5 day cold soak

14 day extended maceration

Minimal racking

Barrel Aging: 22 months in 100% French Oak

Alcohol: 14.6%

Bottling date: August, 2016