



Telegram

Wine, words -- both are simple things capable of great complexity. Like words, wine can convey a great many things. The complexity of our wine comes from embracing the art of blending ... layering vintages, vineyards & varietals to obtain luscious flavor.

The result is a thousand stories, but only one message ... Enjoy our wine for what it is, an expression of the land that grew it and the hands that have touched it.

THE LANDS

We make our wines from the vineyards of our friends and neighbors throughout Northern California.

THE HANDS

Rob McDonald - The Explorer. Rob has been making and importing wine for almost twenty years in both his native Australia and California. His love for interesting and off-beat wines & vineyards keeps it challenging and exciting.

Kat McDonald - The Arbiter. When we are closing in on the final blend it is Kat who makes sure we have the best wine in the bottle.

Matt Stone - The Adventurer. Since his family's founding of Sterling Vineyards when he was a boy, Matt has had wine in his life in one form or another. No cat has lived more lives than Matt. And few have enjoyed them more.

THE WINES



Red Wine Number One— Lot 811

We layered vineyards, varietals and vintages of Cabernet Sauvignon 62%, Merlot 22%, Malbec 15% and Petit Verdot 1% to create this signature Messenger wine.

Alcohol 14.1%

Oak: French (here and there when needed) - medium toast.

Vineyards: All Northern California and farmed sustainably. Cabernet Sauvignon 60% Lake County 2% Dry Creek; Merlot 10% Napa 10% Sonoma 2% Dry Creek; Malbec 10% Napa 5% Dry Creek; Petit Verdot 1% Dry Creek

Vintage: Multiple

Result: Bright raspberry tickled by vanilla and with a chewy mouth feel will keep you excited and asking for more.



Red Wine Number Two— Lot 511

We layered vineyards, varietals and vintages of Grenache 60% Mourvedre 19% Syrah 18% Viognier 3% to create signature Messenger wine.

Alcohol 14.1%

Oak: French (here and there when needed) - medium toast.

Vineyards: All Northern California and farmed sustainably. Grenache 2% Napa, 58% Lodi; Mourvedre Lodi; Syrah Napa; Viognier Lodi

Vintage: Multiple

Result: Rounded blackberry & cherry flavors are wrapped in sage to delight from the nose to the finish.

If you have the confidence to embrace something original (really ... it is such an old concept, it is new again) you will be rewarded with each sip. If not, order something else.