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## 2014 MOUNTAINEER RED BLEND

### VINEYARD SOURCE

*Sorenson Estate Vineyard: Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot*

Planted in the 1870s by Swiss-Italian immigrants, our estate on Howell Mountain is southwest facing with a 27% slope. The soils are comprised of densely compacted volcanic ash with large granitic stones.

*Haymaker Vineyard: Petit Verdot and Petite Sirah*

Acquired by Burgess Cellars in 1987, Haymaker Vineyard sits on the opposite side of Howell Mountain facing east, with a slope averaging 20%. Its soil composition mirrors the estate's, with bands of uplifted marine sediments.

### TASTING NOTES

The Mountaineer is inspired by the historic cuvées of Bordeaux, where vigneron blended Syrah from the legendary hill of Hermitage with Cabernet Sauvignon from the Médoc. Syrah's black olive and smoked meat notes are polished and refined by the graceful structure of Cabernet Sauvignon.

### TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

#### *Varietal Composition*

46% Syrah  
43% Cabernet Sauvignon  
8% Petit Verdot  
3% Petite Sirah

#### *Alcohol*

14.5%

#### *Fermentation*

All components fermented separately in stainless steel

#### *Aging Regimen*

Aged 28 months in 30% new French oak barrique, 70% neutral French oak barrique

#### *AVA*

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