

CUDA RIDGE *Wines*

**Winemakers Notes: 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon
Livermore Valley**

Description: The 2013 Bordeaux style Cabernet Sauvignon is aged for 31 months in 60% new French Oak. This wine is bold and intense with tantalizing aromas of cherry, tobacco, cedar, leather. Fruit carries through on the palate with pomegranate, vanilla, and pepper. Sturdy yet supple tannins are driven by fabulous acidity, engaging every part of your mouth.

Varietals: 88% Galles Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon, Livermore Valley
 5% One Oak Vineyard Merlot
 5% White Cat Vineyard, Cabernet Franc
 1% Smith Ranch Vineyard Petit Verdot, Livermore Valley
 1% White Cat Vineyard Malbec, Livermore Valley

Awards: Gold Medal, 2017 SF Chronicle Competition

Vineyard: Galles vineyard is just North/East of Greenville and Tesla intersection. The Galles vineyard is meticulously managed by the Galles family and pruned to a target yield of no more than 3 ton per acre. The Galles vineyard is located on a rolling hill, the fruit on the higher elevations ripen sooner than the valley floor. The fruit is usually picked on 2 or 3 dates to get the perfect flavors and chemistry (pH, TA, and Brix). The location gets high winds in the afternoon thus having a significant cooling of the grapes in late afternoon which help produce the complexity and finesse of this Bordeaux style Cabernet.

Cases Produced: 125

Bottle Date: May 16, 2016

Barrel Treatment: 31 months in French oak, 60% New French Oak

Vital Statistics:

TA .71 g/100ml
pH: 3.53
Al 14.2 % Alcohol by Volume

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