

2014 Green Valley of the Russian River  
*Kobler Family Vineyard Syrah*

2014 will go down as a classic vintage for Kobler Vineyard Syrah. A combination of careful farming and multiple years of drought has produced a concentrated wine that is pure, extremely elegant and full of verve. For this single-vineyard wine, we co-fermented 90% Syrah and 10% Viognier. The Syrah and Viognier vineyards sit adjacent to each other, and simultaneously experience the ebbs and flows of the vintage—most importantly bathed by the cool coastal fog. The cool mornings at the property promote great acid retention in the finished wine, which balances perfectly with 2014's trademark concentrated flavors.

Careful farming has allowed us to control the ripeness of the Viognier so that we may use it in the conferment as a tool of restraint. The Viognier counterbalances the salami flavored Syrah with flavors of gooseberries, white peaches and chutney, while providing the desirable minerality that makes the mid-palate sing.

We only use second and third filled barrels to produce this wine, which help to elevate the fruit without influencing the wine with oak flavors. After nearly two years in barrel, the wine is showing wonderfully, intensely aromatic, with great signs of aging ability.

*Vineyard Notes:*

**Location**

Kobler Family Vineyard is located on a slightly elevated ridge along the eastern border of Green Valley in the Russian River Valley, and its distinguishing climatic influences are cool temperatures, fog and afternoon breezes.

*Cellar Notes:*

**Percentage New Oak**

0%

**Barrel Aging**

21 months

**Bottling Date**

July 22, 2016

**Composition**

90% Syrah

10% Viognier

**Alcohol**

13.8%

**Production**

508 cases

