

## 2013 Sonoma County Cuvée Keltie Syrah

Cuvée Keltie is a culmination of individual vineyard blocks and thoughtful cellar care, producing an exceptional Syrah blend that continues to captivate us year after year. It isn't one single site that makes Keltie so appealing, nor one particular cellar practice that illuminates the personality of this Cuvée. Like a mythical creature with the wits of a human and the strength, speed, and grace of an animal, the wine draws its power and identity from its multiple origins.

The 2013 Cuvée Keltie is built around three single-vineyard wines: Walker Vine Hill, Obsidian, and Richards. Together they produce a wine that is hedonistic, but also agile and structured. The wine opens on the nose with sweet cassis, licorice, truffle, annis, and gravel. Rounder than the 2012, the palate of the 2013 is a velvety swirl of bittersweet chocolate, blackberry filled pastry, and smoked sage. Fermented with nearly 100% whole cluster and aged for 20 months in neutral barrels and 9 months in bottle prior to release, 2013 Cuvee Keltie showcases our desire to deliver a wine that is not only well built, but incredibly intoxicating.

## Vineyard Notes:

## Location

The 2013 vintage contains syrah hand selected from Walker Vine Hill Vineyard's "Tallon's Hill" in the Russian River Valley, Obsidian Vineyard in Knights Valley and Richards Family Vineyard in Sonoma Valley.

## Cellar Notes:

Percentage New Oak None

Barrel Aging 20 months

Bottling Date July 21st, 2015 Composition 100% Syrah

Alcohol 14.0%

Production 393 cases

~80% Whole Cluster  $\cdot$  Native Ferment/Native ML

