

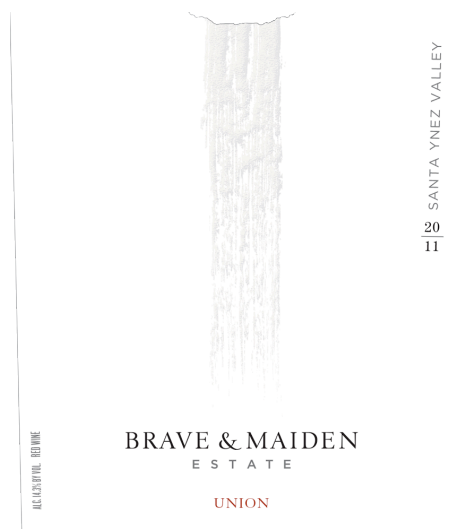
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With firm tannins, good structure and great depth of flavor, this proprietary red blend offers up a delicate, floral, aromatic lift, followed by an elegant, long finish.



VITICULTURE

<i>AVA</i>	Santa Ynez Valley
<i>Year Planted</i>	1996 - 1998
<i>Rootstock</i>	420A
<i>Clone(s)</i>	Noir, 181, 332
<i>Harvest Date</i>	18-31 October 2011
<i>Vintage Notes</i>	Bud break came in early April, followed by a fairly mild summer. We had four very hot days in September with a mild Autumn

WINEMAKING

<i>Blend</i>	49% Syrah, 35% Merlot, 16% Cabernet Franc
<i>Description</i>	Whole berries were de-stemmed into 10 ton fermenters and fermented for 14 days with native yeast. Aged for 24 months in 80% French oak and 20% American oak (30% new).
<i>Bottle Date</i>	7 March 2014

RELEASE

<i>Cases</i>	1,071
<i>Release Date</i>	June 2014
<i>To the Nose</i>	Hints of black cherry and smoke, plum and vanilla, raspberry and leather.
<i>To the Palate</i>	The palate matches the nose with tastes of black cherry, raspberry, rhubarb, and plum enveloped in a layer of smoky vanilla. Firm tannins, a delicate, almost floral and aromatic lift, followed by an elegant, long finish.
<i>SRP</i>	\$30

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