
BRAVE & MAIDEN

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TECHNICAL NOTES

2014 CABERNET FRANC

Dark red and opaque in the glass, this wine has some heft. The bouquet boasts a classic cabernet franc nose of savory spice, black currant, and cocoa powder. The supple palate is chocolaty, with preserved raspberry and cranberry leading to a long, spicy finish.

VITICULTURE	<i>AVA</i>	Los Olivos District, Santa Ynez Valley
	<i>Year(s) Planted</i>	1997
	<i>Clone(s)</i>	332
	<i>Harvest Date(s)</i>	17th of September and 13th of October
	<i>Vintage Notes</i>	Warm periods in January and February brought budbreak three weeks earlier than normal. With lots of sun, warm days, and little rain, the rest of the growing season was a steady march toward an early harvest — about three weeks earlier than usual. For a third year in a row now, Brave & Maiden saw high yields with an exceptional crop.
WINEMAKING	<i>Description</i>	De-stemmed to 2-4 ton fermenters, fermented for 14 days with an extended maceration for an additional 14. Barreled down to 100% French oak, 30% new and aged for 19 months.
	<i>Alcohol</i>	14.5%
	<i>pH</i>	3.64
	<i>Total Acid</i>	.64 mg/100mL
	<i>Residual Sugar</i>	none
	<i>Bottle Date</i>	1st of March 2016
	RELEASE	<i>Cases</i>
<i>Release Date</i>		Spring 2016
<i>SRP</i>		\$45