



FERRARI-CARANO

Vineyards and Winery

PREVAIL BACK FORTY

ALEXANDER VALLEY

2013

The grapes for this 100% Cabernet Sauvignon are grown on low-yielding vines on a 40-acre, 1,100-foot elevation vineyard at the back side of Ferrari-Carano's RockRise Mountain in Alexander Valley.

GRAPE

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

TASTING NOTES

PreVail Back Forty has a delicious array of intense aromas and flavors, like dark jammy currants, brown sugar, leather, cassis, cola, vanilla, cedar and spice. Our full-bodied PreVail Back Forty has a long, rich finish and smooth, mouth-coating tannins.

VINTAGE NOTES

Our mountain vines are grown in shallow, rocky, low-vigor soils that add impressive depth and concentration of flavors to the wine. 2013 was another great year for making wine. The growing season began with an early budbreak, after a cool, wet winter. A warm summer followed an unusually warm, dry spring. Elevated temperatures in August lead to an earlier harvest than in recent years. These favorable conditions resulted in wines featuring good color and tannin structure along with concentrated flavors.

WINEMAKING NOTES

French clone 337 was selected specifically for Back Forty because of its small berry size and rich tannins. The grapes for Back Forty are hand harvested, and upon entering the winery, gravity fed directly into oak tanks for four days of cold soaking, then fermented and macerated for 24 — 28 days on the skins. After primary fermentation, the wine is drained and pressed to barrels for malolactic fermentation and aged in the wine caves for 24 months, with an additional 14 months aging in bottle prior to release.

FOOD PAIRINGS

Back Forty pairs well with roasted, broiled or barbequed red meats such as lamb, beef, pork or veal. Medium and strong-flavored semi-soft, semi-hard, aged or creamy cheeses work well, or pair Back Forty with a dark chocolate dessert for a special treat.

COOPERAGE

73% new French and Hungarian oak, 27% older oak

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol/pH/TA: 14.8%/3.99/.55

Bottled: Winter 2015



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