

# FORWARD

*Kidd*

2014

## Napa Valley Red Wine



Named for a soil type unique to the Napa Valley, Forward Kidd is a modern and expressive red blend featuring grape varieties that flourish in the diverse Napa terrior. Napa Valley is home to over 100 soil variations and elevations from sea level to 2,600 feet. Combining lots from select vineyard sources around the valley creates a wine of great depth and character.

### Winemaking

Selected from multiple vineyard sites throughout the Napa Valley, the winemaking for this blend starts in the soil. Working closely with small, family owned, vineyards each site and varietal were chosen to create the best balance and expression possible in the final wine. In pursuit of this unique style, the composition will change with each vintage. All of the fruit for the 2014 was handpicked and hand sorted. The fruit was harvested in the early morning to preserve the fresh flavors and keep the skins intact. Upon arrival at the winery, the grapes were carefully sorted and de-stemmed. The wine spent an average of 10-14 days on the skins and was aged 17 months in French oak (22% new).

### Tasting Notes

The Forward Kidd Red Wine is medium bodied and well balanced. Dark purple in color, on the nose there are notes of black cherry, baked red cherries, cinnamon and cloves. On the palate there is a tight entry giving a hint to the structure of this wine but then it opens up to a juicy mid-palate which smoothly transitions to a long finish of baked fruit and present, yet very balanced, tannins. This is a lush, expressive wine that is delicious and drinkable both on its own and with a myriad of foods.

<b>Appellation:</b>	Napa Valley
<b>Blend:</b>	45% Petite Sirah, 33% Petit Verdot, 12% Syrah, 10% Cabernet Sauvignon
<b>Cooperage:</b>	22 months in 22% new French oak
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.5%
<b>PH:</b>	3.46
<b>TA:</b>	6.5 g/L