

# LONGBOARD

VINEYARDS

## 2013 POINT BREAK RED BLEND



A Point Break (as distinct from a Beach Break) offers surfers a unique experience because it focuses the energy of prevailing Ocean swells (often from a few directions) into a single wave with a predictable and powerful path. Similarly, this wine blends influences from a few red varieties and seamlessly integrates them into an expression of aromas and flavors that reflect the climate of Northern California.

This wine is all about individuality and freedom. It was born from an appreciation of layered complexity and a passion for excellence while "drawing outside the lines"-ignoring traditional blends in favor of what simply tastes good. Point Break brings together different influences to a focal point. Cabernet Sauvignon from the Chalk Hill area provides a solid backbone of lengthy tannins and Black Currant notes. Merlot and Malbec from both Alexander Valley and Russian River Valley round the Cabernet and enrobe the blend in a velvety gown. Syrah from cool sites in the Russian River Valley brings blackberry, cola, leathery and spicy notes to the finish.

This wine was born as an experiment a few years back and has slowly evolved, taking on the role of a solid member of the family who is never too flashy yet always delivers. While differences in flavors and aromas between vintages are to be expected, the theme remains the same; a lush entry with a medium -full body and a very lengthy finish with just enough acidity to make it a great pairing for locally sourced food. We refer to this wine as a "Regional Blend", a reflection of a season across the dominant red varieties of the region.

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### Wine Technical Data

Harvest: September 17 - October 29<sup>th</sup> 2013

Ageing: 15 Months in French Oak Barrels

Composition: Syrah - 37 %  
Merlot - 38%  
Cabernet Sauvignon - 8%  
Malbec - 17%

Bottled: March 2015, 1300 cases

Alcohol: 14.5% by volume

Acid: 6.5 g/L

pH: 3.78

Sugar: Bone Dry

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