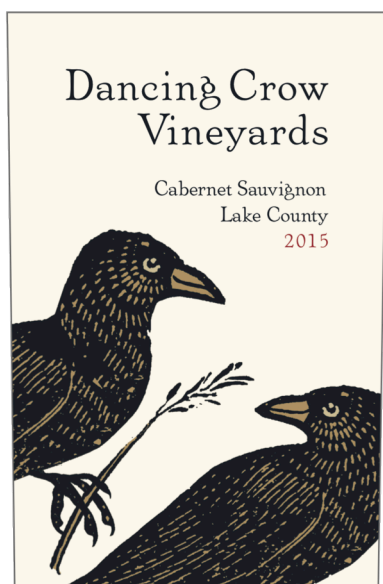


DANCING CROW VINEYARDS

2015 Lake County Cabernet Sauvignon

The growing season for the 2015 Lake County Cabernet vintage was again hot and dry, contributing to an early harvest, with tonnages down about 10%. Due to the arid conditions, the Cabernet vines produced dense berries in loose clusters and exhibited a particularly intense flavor profile. The fruit for the 2015 Dancing Crow Cabernet comes from the High Valley AVA in Lake County – where the volcanic soils and steep 2200' hills provide a unique microclimate that allows for ideal sun exposure, substantial air movement and low nighttime temps – creating an especially compelling environment for growing Cabernet with an optimum balance between fruit, tannins and acidity.



Our Winemakers, David and Katharine DeSante, accented this elegant Cabernet with a sprinkle of Malbec, adding a depth layer of purple fruit flavor, and a pinch of Petit Verdot – to elegantly tie it all together in a sumptuously structured, dark-berry bow. The final 2015 Dancing Crow Cabernet blend is made up of 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Malbec and 5% Petit Verdot – all originating from the High Valley AVA.

The High Valley AVA of Lake County is located along the northeastern edge of Clear Lake and consists of volcanic soils lining rugged mountain ridges, nearing elevations of up to 3000 feet. The entire Lake County AVA is the result of ancient volcanic influences due to its proximity to the North Coast Magna Pocket, which created many of the well-known hillside regions of the North Coast AVA. Within the region, elevated daytime temperatures are moderated by cool afternoon airflows, which create ideal conditions for ripening and acid retention. Consequently,

the High Valley AVA's abundant sunshine, volcanic hillsides and pure airflow create responsive Cabernets that are robustly complex and elegantly structured.

Winemaker's Tasting Impressions

A wine with dark and complicated aromas, hinting of something delicious. Layered flavors of blueberry and blackberry give way to plum and dark cherry, finishing with that distinctive, dark cocoa sensation of Cabernet grown in Lake County's volcanic soils. This is a classy, stylish and thoroughly sexy Cabernet that shows its California tan while retaining a French accent. 606 cases produced.

Varietals: 83% Cabernet Sauvignon 12% Malbec 5% Petite Verdot	Appellation: High Valley AVA, Lake County Elevation: 2200 ft. Alcohol: 14.5%
Aging: 14 months French Oak (40% new) Allier and Nievers forests	Titrateable Acidity: 5.8 g/L pH: 3.85

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