

Long Valley

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CABERNET SAUVIGNON **MONTEREY ★ CALIFORNIA** **VINTAGE OF 2012**

ABOUT

Located in the Central Coast region of California, the Salinas Valley is also known as the *Long Valley*, a name coined by writer John Steinbeck due to its 100-mile length. Cradled between the Gabilan and Santa Lucia mountain ranges, this bountiful stretch was carved out by the Salinas River millions of years ago and holds some of the world's richest farm and vineyard land. We're proud to be farmers of our estate vineyards for over 40 years in the Long Valley, a place that is truly a gift from Mother Nature.

GROWING

Our estate vineyards in the far southern reaches of Monterey County provide an ideal climate for growing Cabernet Sauvignon. While the spring and summer days are filled with warmth for this sunshine-loving varietal, the cool ocean air sweeps down the valley each afternoon to cool things down. This unique lengthening of the growing season allows the grapes to ripen slowly and evenly, gaining in depth and intensity with each extra day on the vine.

WINEMAKING

Upon arrival at the winery, the grapes are destemmed, crushed and fermented, then carefully aged in a combination of new and neutral American oak for 17 months prior to bottling.

TASTING

Aromas of blackberries, black currants and plums integrate with hints of toasted oak and hazelnut. This wine exhibits a plush, round mouthfeel with a subtle tannin structure and deliciously rich finish.

ANALYSIS

Alcohol: 13.5%

Harvest Brix: 23.3°

Cases Produced: 1,200

Bottling Date: April 9, 2014

