

# Rock Wall

## WINE COMPANY

### 2014

## OBSIDEANA

### VINEYARD NOTES

Nestled in the Red Hills of Lake County, California, at an elevation of 2,300 feet is Black Rock Ranch. The ranch is named after the large deposits of shiny obsidian rock exposed throughout the volcanic soils. Nils Venge planted the vineyard beginning in 1995. At that time, there were only a few other growers in the Red Hills Region. The volcanic soils in this area are suitable for red varietals, so the choice was made to plant Petite Sirah and Zinfandel. Their head-pruned vines yield a hearty grape.

### PRODUCTION

We picked these two lots of Zinfandel and Petite Sirah on September 6th, 2014. 2014 was a relatively warm growing year, so things were ripe and ready, nice and early! We split these two lots in two four separate tanks that were all 50/50 PS and Zin, so we could do co-fermentations across the board. Tank #1 got D254 yeast, tank# 2 got 43 yeast, tank #3 got D80 yeast and tank #4 got EC1118 yeast. Each completed their individual fermentations and was blended together before receiving ML and going down to barrel. Voila!! Obsideana!!!

### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

The result is rich with sarsaparilla, red licorice, graphite, minerality, dark chocolate, cherry vanilla, hickory smoke, cola, and has a velvety blueberry finish.

### TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

APPELLATION  
Lake County

COMPOSITION  
50% Zinfandel  
50% Petite Sirah

ALCOHOL  
15.1%

PH  
3.55

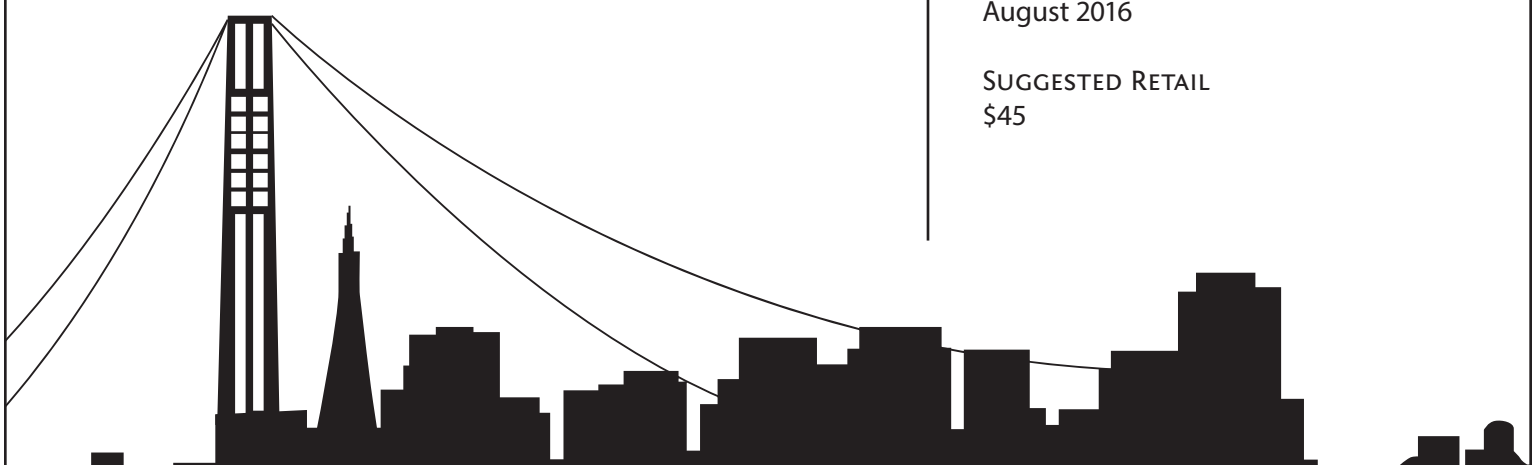
TOTAL ACIDITY  
.62g / 100ml

BARRELS  
10% new American oak  
10% new French oak  
80% neutral oak

CASES PRODUCED  
1503

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April 2015

SUGGESTED RETAIL  
\$25



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