



HILL FAMILY
E S T A T E



**2012 Red Door
Cabernet Sauvignon**

Production: 782 – 6 pack cases

Composition: 78% Cabernet Sauvignon, 13% Malbec, 6% Syrah, 2% Petit Verdot, 1% Merlot

Vineyards: 48% Baker (Cab, Syrah, and Malbec) (Atlas Peak), 26% Windy Flats (Malbec and Cab Sauvignon), Napa Valley, 16% Beauterre Cabernet, 3% Clarke Syrah and small % Knubis, Apallas, Beauterrior

Cooperage: 40% in new French oak (Trust Ingenieux, Treiul, Bossuet), 20% in new Hungarian (Trust), 20% in Radoux Appalachian, and 20% in neutral bbls

Alcohol: 14.5% alcohol, 3.78 pH, 0.61 TA

A Red Door is a symbol of welcome, or for the Chinese, it is a center of positive energy, abundance, and opportunity. Red Door from Hill Family Estate is a wine blended to take advantage of our best small lots that work together in the most rich and flavorful way, regardless of variety or appellation. In 2012, Cabernet Sauvignon was once again rich and elegant, with the new Windy Flats vineyard really pulling in the intense flavors and Baker providing the mountain structure. But Apallas, Beauterrior and Knubis have wonderful individuality that would be lost in a big blend, so the Red Door can give them a place to show off. From these outstanding lots we created a small quantity of an amazing wine. It is still evolving, but the fruit and oak work to build the Red Door into one of our best wines ever.

Tasting notes (bottled 4/7/14)

