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## 2013 “Atlas Peak” Cabernet Sauvignon

**Production:** 487 cases

**Composition:** 80% Cabernet Sauvignon, 17 %Malbec & 3% Merlot

**Vineyards:** Baker Vineyard, Beau Terre, Windy Flats, Smith & Beau Terroir

**Cooperage:** 70% in new oak barrels for 16 months (61% were French: Remond, Orion, and Stavin, 16% in Trust Hungarian, and 23% in neutral barrels)

**Alcohol:** 15.6% alc, 3.77 pH, 0.60 TA

**Bottling date:** June 5, 2015

**Release date:** Fall 2016

**Release price:** \$72.00

Atlas Peak Cabernet Sauvignon is accumulating a well deserved reputation for intensity and finesse. 2013, was a dry year and a long growing season, but a bit earlier than 2012. Cabernet Sauvignon had big color and big tannins and showed off the potential of the site and to create elegance and complexity. After early blending with Malbec and Merlot to soften and broaden the structure, this wine is ready to age and grow for a long time.

### **Winemaker Alison Doran’s tasting notes:**

Ahhh – that lovely briary white sage and burnt marshmallow, with some nice cassis and a hint of blackberry that just come naturally to the Atlas Peak Cabernet Sauvignon. Definitely one to lay down for a while, but maybe because we did the blending so early, the layers are already settling into place nicely. The tannins are elegant and fine-grained with ripe concentrated almost raisiny flavors drawn out by blackberry, white pepper, and very dark chocolate. Give this wine 5 years and you will have a classic beauty.