

# FOLEY F SONOMA

## 2015 ESTATE CABERNET SAUVIGNON ALEXANDER VALLEY

*Foley Sonoma is dedicated to mixing old-world tradition and modern technology to create limited production, luxury wines from estate vineyards in the Alexander Valley appellation within Sonoma County. Our family has been growing and creating wines since 1996 throughout California and beyond. The estate vineyards offer diverse terrain and soil types that cater to our focus on the five noble Bordeaux varieties — Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Malbec, and Petit Verdot. We look forward to sharing the wines from this special place with you and your family for years to come. — The Foley Family*

### VINTAGE

2015 was another warm year with one of our earliest harvests to date. Yields were lower than the past few growing seasons, but the quality of fruit was exceptional with concentrated flavors and balanced acidity due to consistently warm temperatures throughout the season. All of our grapes were harvested between September 28 – October 28, 2015 at optimal ripeness.

### VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

The vineyards of Foley Sonoma lie at the heart of our estate in the Alexander Valley. Our Cabernet Sauvignon vines are planted in rich soil that supports the 337 clone. These vines were planted on our estate in the early 2000's. After harvest, the fruit was fermented in French oak barrels (35% new) and aged for two years and one month. Small percentages of Tannat and Cabernet Franc were added to the final blend for enhanced aromas and flavors.

### TASTING NOTES

Our 2015 Estate Cabernet Sauvignon is a great representation of the Alexander Valley AVA, providing us with full body and well-structured tannins. It opens with rich dark fruit aromas of blackberry, black cherry, and cassis, with a hint of toffee. The dark fruit characteristics continue on to the palate with additional flavors of dark chocolate and vanilla. Thanks to the youthful tannins on the finish, this wine will continue to age gracefully for 7-10 years.

### TECHNICAL DATA

*Appellation:* Alexander Valley

*Composition:* 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Tannat, 2% Cabernet Franc

*Aging:* 25 months in French oak, 35% new

*Alcohol:* 15%

*TA:* 5.8 g/L

*pH:* 3.59

*Production:* 214 Cases

