

2016 3x3 Proprietary Red Blend

NorthCoast

VINTAGE REFLECTION

This inaugural release of the 2016 Riley's Rows "Three by Three" Proprietary Red Blend North Coast, is an awesome reflection of some of our favorite North Coast vineyard sites. The Merlot is from our Brandt ranch in Lake County... which is one of the best vineyards in Lake County. The Cabernet and Syrah are both from great Sonoma County sites.

The blend in 2016 is Merlot (50%), Syrah (46%) and Cabernet Sauvignon (4%).

TASTING NOTES

The 2016 Riley's Rows 3 x 3 displays a nose of ripe plum and Bing cherries with a hint of cocoa. The palate opens with ripe red berries. The midpalate offers a delicious melange of blackberry, Rainer Cherry, and nutmeg. The wine has a long finish, very balanced acidity, and soft tannins. The wine is delightful and accessible now but will age nicely for years to come!

SPECS

HARVEST: September 19 - October 13, 2016 APPELLATION: North Coast VARIETALS: MERLOT (50%), SYRAH (46%), CAB (4%) ALCOHOL: 14.8% PH: 3.89 TA: 5.54 FERMENTATION: 100% open-top fermenters AGING: 100% French oak barrel CASES PRODUCED: 216

