

FRANCIS COPPOLA

DIAMOND COLLECTION.

"The inspiration for the Diamond Collection was a bottle of 1906 Claret we found in the cellar of the Napa Valley property we purchased in 1975. I designed a new label reminiscent of this old bottle and created the Diamond Collection Black Label Claret, which is our company's most recognized offering. Today, Diamond Collection includes 13 varietals, each identified with a brightly colored label. The quality and authenticity of Diamond Collection is extremely important because we are a family company and our name is on the label. As such, you can trust that we'll always give you the very best."

—Francis Ford Coppola

FRANCIS COPPOLA DIAMOND COLLECTION 2013 SCARLET LABEL RED BLEND

While our Claret is a red blend crafted in the style of a Bordeaux, our Diamond Red Blend, is a unique "sky's the limit" kind of blend, created exclusively by taste with no particular roadmap in mind. We are incredibly fortunate to be sourcing our fruit from top-notch vineyards in Napa, Sonoma, Lodi and El Dorado, which always produce stellar quality fruit.

We wondered what would happen if we took the best selections from these diverse appellations each vintage—the ones that showed the most complexity and character—and blended them together. It takes many tasting trials to arrive at the just the right combination, but you can taste when you've created the perfect blend. This year the blend includes an old vine Alicante Bouschet, which is a dark jammy varietal that was popular back during the time of Prohibition.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

We thought we'd hit the jackpot with the 2012 vintage only to have another incredible season in 2013. Having experienced ideal weather two years in a row optimized the vines and is what made this vintage even more spectacular than its predecessor. Our 2013 Red Blend has immense concentration and an intense fragrance, offering great flavor complexity, a lush, rich palate, supple tannins, and luxurious length to create a sophisticated wine.

TASTING PROFILE

Appearance Garnet magenta

Aromas Wild raspberries, pomegranate, leather, and anise

Flavors Black cherries, cassis, vanilla, toasted oak, and tea leaves



Corey Beck, Winemaker



<i>Appellation</i>	California
<i>Blend</i>	32% Syrah, 29% Petit Verdot, 20% Petite Sirah, 19% Alicante Bouschet
<i>Alcohol</i>	13.5%
<i>Barrel Regimen</i>	10 months in French oak
<i>Released</i>	July 2015