



# The Mariner

A DISTINCTIVE  
DRY CREEK VALLEY RED WINE



## OUR PREMIER BORDEAUX BLEND

The Mariner is a unique Dry Creek Valley Meritage made in the tradition of some of the world's greatest Bordeaux blends. Our goal is to craft a world-class blend with a distinct personality by sourcing fruit from our finest hillside Dry Creek Valley vineyards. Utilizing all five Bordeaux grape varieties, we achieve depth and complexity, creating a wine with bold character and distinct flavor profile. The art of this blend is represented in The Mariner's old-world packaging. The label illustration is reflective of the life of a Mariner—one who directs and navigates his ship. This analogy symbolizes the same navigation that a winemaker goes through when crafting his blend.

*Family Owned and Sustainably Farmed Since 1972*



*“The Mariner has redefined the concept of blending at Dry Creek Vineyard. This is a wine that will represent us for years to come.”*

KIM STARE WALLACE, PRESIDENT



#### AN IMPRESSIVE TRACK RECORD

- 2016** – 93 POINTS, *James Suckling*
- 2016** – 90 POINTS, *Wine Enthusiast*
- 2013** – 90 POINTS, *Wine Enthusiast*
- 2013** – 90 POINTS, *Robert Parker’s Wine Advocate*
- 2013** – 90 POINTS, *Wine & Spirits*
- 2012** – 92 POINTS, *Wine Enthusiast*
- 2011** – 92 POINTS, *Wine & Spirits*
- 2010** – 90 POINTS, *Wine Enthusiast*
- 2009** – 91 POINTS, *Wine Enthusiast*
- 2008** – 91 POINTS, *Wine Spectator*
- 2007** – 93 POINTS, *Wine Review Online*



#### A BOLD STATEMENT: THE MARINER



- The Mariner is produced exclusively from hillside Dry Creek Valley vineyards, many of which are 800–1,100 feet off the valley floor.
- Our winemaker, Tim Bell, selects our best lots from the vintage to produce The Mariner.
- The Mariner reflects our vision to produce a world-class Bordeaux style blend that expresses the *terroir* of our region.
- The Mariner embodies our “no compromises” philosophy when it comes to wine quality.

#### DRY CREEK VINEYARD

FOUNDED IN 1972 by David S. Stare, Dry Creek Vineyard was the first new winery in the Dry Creek Valley following Prohibition. Dave’s vision to start a winery modeled after a Loire Valley chateau reintroduced the world to the wines of northern Sonoma County. Today, his daughter Kim Stare Wallace continues to build on these established traditions while innovating for the future. With the second generation firmly at the helm, the stewardship and future of Dry Creek Vineyard has never been brighter.

