



JOSH CELLARS FAMILY RESERVE RED BLEND 2014

Appellation

Lodi

Varietal Composition

50% Syrah, 48% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% other

Winemaking

Picked at the height of ripeness, the grapes were crushed and cold-soaked for 24 hours. The must was then punched down daily to maximize flavor and phenolic extraction followed by extended maceration of more than a week. 18-20 month oak-aging followed.

Winegrowing Region

Lodi is in California's Central Valley, perfectly situated between the cooler, coastal regions and the hotter, interior valleys to produce balanced, fruit-forward red grapes. Lodi was named *Wine Enthusiast's* 2015 "Wine Region of the Year."

Vintage Note

The 2014 vintage was excellent with ideal weather conditions throughout California's northern coastal regions, with spring rains and a warm, dry summer producing grapes of intense fruit characteristics.¹

Tasting Notes

Appearance: Deep ruby with concentrated legs on the glass

Body: Full & Rich

Nose: Blackberry, black pepper, & chocolate

Palate: Boysenberry, vanilla, chocolate, black pepper, clove

Tannins: Medium

Food Pairings: Grilled steak, stews, roasted poultry, soft cheeses

Technical Data

Oak: 18-20 months French Oak (40% new)

Alcohol: 14.5%

TA: 6.4

pH: 3.7



JOSEPH CARR
FOUNDER



WAYNE DONALDSON
WINEMAKER

1. *Wine Enthusiast*, November 2015

2. *Wine Spectator* 2014 Vintage Report. November 2014.