

## THE VINEYARDS:

Chalk Hill is an appellation with, generally, warmer days than in the rest of the Russian River Valley, with a variety of volcanic and alluvial soils across the western foothills of the Mayacamas range, rising 200 to 300 feet in elevation. Here, at our Los Amigos Ranch, just South of Healdsburg, Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot develop deep, bold flavors.

## THE GROWING SEASON:

2013 was an exceptionally good year for growing grapes in the Russian River Valley. A gradual heat progression through the growing season, combined with an above average yield allowed the fruit to ripen slowly, ensuring maximum flavor development.

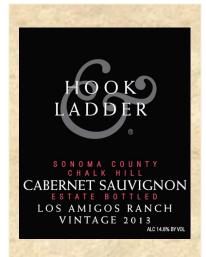
## THE WINEMAKING:

Our single vineyard Cabernet is aged for up to 17 months in a combination of European and American oak. The wine contains a small amount (5%) of Merlot, also from our Los Amigos ranch, to enhance the silky texture of this exquisite Cabernet.

## THE WINE:

This incredibly dark crimson-violet Cabernet Sauvignon exhibits bright aromas of raspberry and cherry with notes of cinnamon spice, vanilla, clove, brown sugar with a nice touch of oak. The multi-layered flavors of raspberries, juicy cherries, and cinnamon spice combine well with a long, lingering finish of mixed berry, dried currant, cherry and light oak. The rich flavor and deep character of this balanced wine displays well-developed tannins which pair well with a multitude of dishes, especially beef, and allow this Cab to be cellared for many years.

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2013 CABERNET SAUVIGNON CHALK HILL

HARVESTED
October 8-23 2013

ALCOHOL 14.8%

*TA* .64

*pH* 3.41

CASES PRODUCED 1,928

AGING 17 months in European and American Oak

17% New Oak

ESTATE BOTTLED
July 12, 2015

WINEMAKER
Jason De Loach