

Keenan



Napa Valley
Spring Mountain District

2014 Mernet Reserve, Spring Mountain District

TASTING NOTES

2014 is our 16th consecutive vintage of "Mernet" (mare-nay) our proprietary marriage of Merlot and Cabernet. Each blend has been half Merlot and half Cabernet but no two wines have had the same vineyard combinations. This year the blend is 50% Merlo, all coming from our "Upper Bowl" vineyard, and 50% Cabernet Sauvignon Clone 15 from our "Big K" vineyard. The resulting wine is a seamless blend with an emphasis on high-toned sweet delicious rich fruit with an almost hidden depth and structure. Enjoy now or decades from now.

Cheers!

Michael Keenan

Robert M. Parker, Jr.'s, *The Wine Advocate*, Issue #228 October, 2016

93 Points: "Another Reserve cuvée, the equal part blend of Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon is the 2014 Mernet Reserve. Deep opaque ruby/purple, with sweet crème de cassis and black cherry notes, some underbrush and forest floor, medium to full body, and outstanding purity and texture, it is not a big wine, but elegant, intense and authoritative. Drink it over the next 10-15 years."

WINE DATA

Alcohol:	14.4%
Total Acidity:	0.60 grams/100 ml
pH:	3.76
Residual Sugar:	Dry
Bottling Date:	August 19, 2016
Production:	500 cases
Blend:	50% Merlot Estate Upper Bowl 50% Cabernet Sauvignon Estate Clone 15