



SILVER BUCKLE
CELLARS

2016
RANCHERO
RED WINE
California



Many of our family vineyards were originally Spanish cattle “rancheros” in the 1800s. Neighbors continue to raise cattle that are fed on our harvest cover crops. In return, they supply us with Nature’s finest fertilizer! We also share a rich cultural heritage and a commitment to natural, earth-friendly practices.

WINE DESCRIPTION:

Winemakers across California reported another stellar harvest for 2016. Bud break began early due to a warm spring, as the summer season saw moderate daytime temperatures and cool evenings.

Multiple sources of specialty toasted French oak, along with the addition of Zinfandel, give the blend its unique and lively spice quality.

Silver Buckle Ranchero Red pairs beautifully with hearty, intensely flavored dishes such as roasted tomato and red bell pepper pasta and Mongolian BBQ beef.

AROMAS: Soothing dark cherry, deep leather, caramel, and hints of sweet vanilla.

FLAVORS: A full-bodied wine, with lots of soft tannins through the palate, revealing sweet cherry-wood notes on the finish. Dark berry and ripe cherry linger on the back palate.

SOURCING: Select California vineyards

AGING: French Oak

BLEND: 52% Syrah, 43% Merlot, 5% Zinfandel

TA/pH: .62/3.68

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

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