

## FROG'S LEAP

# 2015 CABERNET SAUVIGNON Red Barn Vineyard - "Office Block" Rutherford

**THE BLEND** 100% Cabernet sauvignon

**PRODUCTION**357 cases - 20 barrels

RELEASE DATE September 2017

#### STATISTICS

harvested —
September 12
23.5° brix at harvest
13.3% alcohol
6.0 g/L total acidity
3.64 pH
aged 18 months in new
French oak; final 3 months
of aging in concrete cubes
and neutral French oak

WINEMAKERS John Williams Paula Moschetti Rory Williams

VINEYARDIST Frank Leeds

#### A BRIEF HISTORY

On a slice of pure gravel washed down over the centuries from the Conn Valley watershed the Red Barn "Office Block" has all the requirements for great Cabernet Sauvignon. This wine has deep mocha and black cherry aromas, silky texture and outstanding Rutherford pedigree.

### ABOUT THE WINE

Each year as we begin the assemblage of our Estate Cabernet Sauvignon, we keep a sharp eye out for one or two of the vineyard lots that seem to beg to be honored for their exceptional qualities by being chosen as a stand-alone wine for the benefit of our FrogFellows. Without exception it seems the Red Barn 'Office Block' stands on its tippy-toes and shouts "Pick me...pick me!!"

This is the first time we have chosen the 'Office Block' as a FrogFellow offering and when you taste the wine you will understand why. Deep and balanced, yes. Richly aromatic and perfectly proportioned, check. But it is the exuberance of this wine that astounds. FrogFellows know that I always recommend ten plus years of aging for our Cabernets but if there ever was a wine I would recommend for earlier drinking, it would be the 2015 'Office Block' not because it won't age gracefully over the years but because it is so damn charming even now.