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FAMILY VINEYARD

2015 BOOTH BELLA OAKS CABERNET SAUVIGNON

R u t h e r f o r d , N a p a V a l l e y

<i>Release Date</i>	March 1, 2018
<i>Harvest Dates</i>	September 12th - October 2nd, 2015
<i>Barrel Aging</i>	20 Months
<i>Oak</i>	100% French, 94% new, 6% used
<i>Blend</i>	82% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Cabernet Franc, 8% Petit Verdot
<i>Alcohol</i>	14.9%



Winemaker Tasting Notes

2015 was yet another superb growing season despite some of the challenges we faced with periods of high heat and low humidity. Another warm and dry winter lead to what is becoming the normal 'early' budbreak which was primed and boosted by fortuitously timed February rains. The return to warm and dry early spring pushed us through flower and fruit set before the cool spell that affected others, so we saw healthy and normal yields. Then the heat train returned and was indeed full steam ahead throughout the summer, accelerating ripeness and maturity to give us the earliest harvest in the last 12 years.

The broodingly dark and intense 2015 Booth Bella Oaks is an energetic expression of ripe wild cherry and late season boysenberry with generous drops of Damson plum and sun-kissed fig deepened by a backbone of dark roasted coffee amidst an exotic herbal elixir prominent with menthol, star anise, and pine fatwood. This concentrated and somewhat tightly wound wine is drinking well now but will welcome and reward a little rest in your cellar.