



PARADISE RIDGE

BYCK FAMILY ESTATE WINERY

Spring 2018

"In all things of nature there is something of the marvelous."
- Aristotle

Dear 'PARADISE FOUND' Member,

As the seasons drift from winter into spring, a natural inspiration surrounds us here in Paradise. Puddles and mud have turned into blankets of fresh grass and colorful wildflowers, while the vineyards are showing off vibrant green leaves, an undeniable sign of their vigor and life. Nature is amazing. The fury of the fire turned everything it touched into shades of grey, brown & black; but now after Mother Nature refreshed the earth with her rain, those cheerless colors have been transformed into the exquisite, joyful shades of spring.

The longer days and warm weather are allowing us to move ahead with clearing up the property to create new spaces where we can showcase our wines. Our plan is to partially reopen the Russian River Valley Estate in July. We will be offering wine club exclusive tours and tastings by appointment on the weekends and have also created a picnic area for club members to bring their friends and a picnic (this will be available by reservation). The part of the property we are opening is usually a private family area, so this will be one of the few chances to experience my father's "Middle Kingdom". We also have some fun club events planned on the estate this summer, our Annual Wine Club Celebration in June, Hot August Nights Wine Club Wines & Sunsets & then our Harvest Release BBQ in September. It is important to us that you know how much we value our members, because you continue to be our greatest inspiration to recover and shine.

In Kenwood, the Sensory Garden has undergone a beautiful transformation and Annette is once again offering her sensational Herb & Wine Tasting Experience. To complement the garden program (which also features the Wine & Chocolate Pairing), she has partnered with Palooza Gastropub, our neighbor in Kenwood, to offer a decadent Oysters & Bubbles pairing on Sundays. Four sparkling wines & four oysters – yum, yum, yummy. Call the tasting room at (707) 282-9020 to make your reservation.

Your enclosed shipment includes a selection of wines that our handsome winemaker (I can say that because he is my husband) has carefully crafted for you to enjoy. Visit the wine club page on our website (www.prwinery.com) to read his winemaker notes and find some delicious recipes to pair with your wines.

We look forward to seeing you in Paradise this summer.

Sonia Byck-Barwick, Co-Owner – Paradise Ridge Winery

Wine Club Events to put on your calendar ...

"Blanc" Party Wine Club Release, Kenwood - May 20th - 11 & 2
Annual Wine Club Celebration, Estate - June 23rd - 5:30 until Sunset
Hot August Nights Wine Club Wines & Sunsets, Estate - August 25th 5:30 until dusk
Wine Club Harvest Celebration, Estate - September 23rd

For a full list of winery events, please visit our website calendar

Winemaker's Notes May Wine Club Shipment 2018

- The Blurbs and more

2017 Grenache Blanc, Branham Vineyard

This unique varietal comes from the only block of white fruit grown in the entire Rockpile AVA, and one that I have secretly been coveting for several years now. I was elated this year when I was told it was ours. The traditional home for this grape is the Southern Rhone, and North East Spain, where it makes a rich full wine; but here in Rockpile it delivers a wine of purity and brightness that accentuates the prettiness of stone fruits and citrus blossoms on the nose, which are echoed through to the palate, where character evolves to the smooth finish. I'm so excited to share this with you too.

2017 Sauvignon Blanc, Russian River Valley

From out of the smoke and ashes I created this re-take of our 2017 Sauvignon Blanc, from literally dozens of different lots I chose just two wines to make this blend. I wanted to create something that was familiar and comforting, and yet different. So here you will find lots of fragrant juicy fruit beckoning you to explore the glass where the bounty of expressions we know as Sauvignon Blanc remind you that the Summer is upon us and you need this wine in fridge near to you soon.

2015 Sonoma County Merlot, Sonoma County

In case no one told you, Merlot is back and swinging! Yeah Baby. The fruit was grown in two very different vineyards, by our good friend Alan Fopianno, who we have been working with for over 15 years. The Russian River component is literally from the most Northerly vineyard in the AVA and sits cool low spot literally feet away from the river itself, this gives us that bright acidity and red fruit spectrum. The warmer Dry Creek component comes from the East Bench where the deep red and gravelly soils give us those rich velvety tannins and dark fruits. Difficult to not drink now, but will easily drink through 2025.

2014 Rockpile Cabernet Sauvignon, Elevation

2014 was a bench mark vintage, that delivered some serious tannins, that have taken a few years in the bottle to settle down. Layers upon layers of texture and fruit will make this a wine to remember, especially if served with something that you love. Predominantly Cabernet, with a healthy pour of Petite Verdot for those blue fruits and floral aromatics, and a splash of Cabernet Franc for more red fruit and a savory component. She's all Rockpile remember, and still has bags of time before she reaches her prime, so decanting with help deliver her finest. Drink Now to 2028

2013 Inspirations

Our most cherished wine and for this occasion for the birth of Alexia Byck, the youngest grandchild. This wine is a blend of Zinfandel and Petite Sirah with dashes of other Estate fruit. And for the Reds only, are you being delivered a special wine that was stored by us for nearly 5 years!! Pull this cork for any moment you feel like treating yourself. It just oozes deep rich dark fruit and is nothing short of silk on the palate. - Primed for that first outdoor BBQ.

2014 Rockpile Zinfandel, The Convict - Branham Vineyard

For this wine we created a blend from 3 individual of Zinfandel blocks and 2 Petite Sirah. All of the fruit started as individual fermentations, utilizing as many different techniques that we have in our portfolio to create depth and complexity. We are not looking for a wine that is to bold and powerful, but something that shows off the more delicate fruit characters, and somehow accentuates those other components, such as 'savory' and 'minerality'. So, you could try and think while you drink outside the box, and you may well discover those flavors in wine that you may never have discovered before. Or you could just drink this how you want to and enjoy all of that deliciousness without all of that BS. Drinking now for another 5 or so.

Enjoy

Dan Barwick

Dan Barwick, Winemaker Paradise Ridge Winery



Wine Portfolio

May 2018

Paradise Found Club Level Savings

Classic & Original - 20% up to 11 bottles 25% for 12 or More

Aficionado - 25% up to 11 bottles 30% for 12 or more

Elysium - 30% Off any wine purchase.

White Wines

- 2015 Barrel Select Chardonnay, Russian River Valley - \$40
- 2015 Estate Chardonnay, Nagasawa Vineyard - \$40 - *Limited Quantities*
- 2015 Bazzano Chardonnay, Russian River Valley Vineyard - \$40
- 2017 Sauvignon Blanc, Russian River Valley - \$28
- 2017 Grenache Blanc, Rockpile - \$34 - *Club Exclusive**
- 2013 Ode to Joy, Late Harvest Sauvignon Blanc, Russian River Valley - \$37
- 2016 Chardonnay, Nagasawa, Russian River Valley - \$44 - *New Release*
- 2017 Bride's Blush Rosé - Pre-release - \$26 - *Club Exclusive**

Sparkling Wines

- 2013 Blanc de Blanc Sparkling Late Disgorge, Russian River Valley - \$55
- 2014 Blanc de Blanc Sparkling Wine, Russian River Valley - \$44
- 2014 Sparkling Shiraz, Russian River Valley - \$52
- 2015 Sparkling Pinot Gris, Sonoma Coast - \$48 - *Less than 40 cases*

Red Wines

- 2016 Estate Pinot Noir, Walter's Vineyard - \$54
- 2015 Estate Pinot Noir, 777 Clone - \$62
- 2016 Estate Pinot Noir, 777 Clone - \$62
- 2014 The Bounty, Russian River Valley - \$42
- 2014 The Posse, Hoenselaars Vineyard, Russian River Valley - \$54
- 2014 Elevation Cabernet, Rockpile Vineyard - \$55
- 2012 Cabernet Sauvignon Barrel Select, Rockpile Vineyard - Winery Reserve - \$65 - *4 cases left*
- 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Barrel Select, Rockpile Vineyard - Winery Reserve - \$65
- 2014 Cabernet Franc, Rockpile Vineyard - \$80
- 2013 The Convict Zinfandel, Rockpile - \$48
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- 2015 Old Vine Zinfandel, Nagasawa Russian River Valley - \$44
- 2014 Merlot, Russian River Valley - \$38
- 2015 The Confessor, Rockpile - \$60
- 2015 Petit Sirah, Rockpile - \$60
- 2013 Inspirations, Rockpile - \$60



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