

BLACKBIRD  
VINEYARDS

DENARY CUVÉE

*Artisanal producer of Pomerol-inspired wines*

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2012 DENARY CUVÉE NAPA VALLEY PROPRIETARY RED WINE

The 2012 Denary Cuvée offers exquisite aromas of blackberry, blueberry and tobacco. This predominately Cabernet Franc blend celebrates the tenth anniversary of winemaking for Blackbird Vineyards. Showcasing textured layers of chocolate and nutmeg combined with fine-grained tannin and cedar overlay, the supple finish is round and balanced, providing persistent length of flavor. With no frost, a mild spring and summer and a peaceful Fall, the 2012 vintage was what some describe as an ideal growing season.

BLEND:	<i>54% Cabernet Franc - 28% Merlot - 18% Cabernet Sauvignon</i>
HARVEST:	<i>Fall 2012</i>
RELEASE:	<i>Spring 2015</i>
BARREL REGIME:	<i>21 months in French Oak barrels - 75% new, 25% seasoned</i>
ALCOHOL:	<i>14.7%</i>
PRODUCTION:	<i>20 barrels</i>
OPTIMUM DRINKING:	<i>2015 - 2028</i>
PRICE:	<i>\$150.00 per 750ml bottle</i>

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Each wine in the portfolio is a true example of Blackbird's ongoing commitment to quality by partnering with a selection of Napa Valley's most prestigious vineyards.

**Blackbird Vineyard** - *Located in the Oak Knoll District, Blackbird's estate vineyard, with clay soils underlaid by gravel, is an ideal site for Merlot. The region's cool nights preserve acidity in the fruit, providing natural balance.*

**Hudson Vineyard** - *Perched on a rolling hillside in the cool climate of Carneros, the Hudson Vineyard is a high-quality fruit source for Merlot, Cabernet Franc, and Cabernet Sauvignon.*

**Stagecoach Vineyard** - *Atop the Vaca Mountains south of Pritchard Hill, the rocky, volcanic terroir of the Stagecoach Vineyard produces intense Merlot and Cabernet Franc.*

**Crocker & Starr Vineyard** - *The Crocker & Starr Vineyard's deep pocket of well-drained gravel creates aromatic Cabernet Franc with impressive structure and finesse.*

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This special blend commemorates Blackbird Vineyard's 10th anniversary of winemaking. With an ingrained focus to diversity of varietals and terroir, Blackbird is unwavering in their commitment to craft wines of distinction—for near-term enjoyment and long-term aging potential. The 2012 vintage is exemplary, and truly personifies the belief that Blackbird is Born to Fly.



Crafting inspiration for a decade...

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