



## STEELE STYMIE SYRAH 2014

### *Jacobsen Vineyard*

#### VINEYARDS

The grapes used to craft the Steele Stymie Syrah are sourced from Jacobsen vineyard on Jed's home property in Kelseyville. Jed planted this small vineyard in 2002. It is made up of 6 acres of Syrah and 1 acre of Counoise. A small amount of Syrah fruit also comes from Fiora vineyard in the northeast corner of Clearlake. Don Fiora planted his Syrah vineyard in 1992. Since the first year of production, Don's fruit has been exceptional. Annually, it is typically the first red that we harvest and its consistent quality is something to be recognized.

#### WINE STYLE & TASTING NOTE

We use special winemaking techniques on the Stymie, including gentle destemming and keeping the fermentation temperatures below 90 degrees. This wine is aged in oak barrel for 22 months prior to bottling. The concentrated fruit flavors, smoky undertones and lingering finish make this wine enjoyable now, but it will continue to improve for another 10 years.

#### FOOD PAIRINGS

Our Stymie Syrah pairs well with braised meats and, strong cheeses.

#### TECHNICAL NOTES

**APPELLATION** Lake County, CA **ALCOHOL** 14.8% **PH** 3.80  
**TA** 0.69g/100mL **RS** 1.58g/L **BARREL AGING** 22 months in French and American oak (20% new) **VINE AGE** Avg. 10 years **YIELDS** 3 tons per acre **PRODUCTION** 150 cases **MSRP** \$36.00

