

## "You will love the 'Legacy of Quality' we have put in every bottle."

## - JIM SAUNDERS & STEVE HEARST

## 2016 BABICORA MALBEC

## **Tasting Notes**:

Our constant refinement of viticultural practices continues to pay dividends and the 2016 Babicora Malbec is a prime example. As a varietal, Malbec is normally not lauded for density of color or noteworthy tannin structure. Happy to break the mold, this wine is exceptionally balanced and built for distance. The vibrant and complex nose yields to a beautifully-refined chalky structure on the mid-palate. Notes of dark stone fruit and winter spice are layered with hints of medium toasted oak. While an outlier in some regards, the 2016 possesses the refreshing acidity that is a hallmark of our Malbec. Still in its infancy, this vintage will age gracefully over the next decade.

**Appellation**: Paso Robles, California

Composition: 78% Malbec, 13% Cabernet Sauvignon, 9% Petit Verdot

**Technical Data:** 

**Alcohol:** 13.9%

Total Acidity: .63 g/100 mL

**pH**: 3.67

Cooperage: 15% New French Oak, 85% Neutral Oak

**Bottled:** November 2018

**Cases Produced:** 522

**Suggested Retail Price: \$35** 

