

# FRITZ



## Fritz Cellars' Portfolio of Wines **2011 Estate Proprietor's Red Wine**

### **Winemaker's Notes:**

Our 2011 Estate Proprietor's Red is a blend of 60% Cabernet Sauvignon and 40% Malbec. Aromas of red currant, ripe plum, wet gravel, and anise permeate throughout this full bodied wine. These same flavors follow onto the palate and are rounded with soft lingering tannins.

*-Winemaker Brad Longton*

### **Technical Data:**

Appellation: Dry Creek Valley

Varietal: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Malvec

Harvest Date: October 2011

Barrel Aging: 18 months

Alcohol: 14.6%

Production: 150 cases

### **Production Notes:**

The fruit was de-stemmed only so that whole berries were transferred to open top fermenters. This helps to capture bright fruit aromas and flavors. After a 5 day cold soak, the tanks were warmed and inoculated with yeast. The tanks were punched down 2-3 times daily, over 10 days, increasing skin contact. The wine was then drained off the skins and aged in 60% new French Oak for 18 months.