

STEPHEN VINCENT

2013

Crimson

CALIFORNIA
Republica de' California
RED WINE BLEND

RELEASE DATE
MARCH 2016

A wine like this is the most fun to make for any winemaker, including ours, Robert Goyette. As this is a big, red blend with no varietal significance, the winemaker gets to piece together a wine that has no other mission than to just taste yummy. Robert created a cuvee that is remarkably similar to the original bottlings of this wine. Lush, dark flavors and a density of sweetness are the principle hallmarks of Stephen Vincent Crimson. The varietal composition and appellation breakdown may change a little from vintage to vintage, but the goal will always be to produce a wine that is as big and bold as the state of California.

Robert has made a wine representative of the "Republica de California". Crimson is Crimson, in English or Spanish!

WINEMAKER NOTES

Aromatics of plum, blueberry, tobacco, and anise with hints of vanilla and cedar. The first flavors you pick up are of concentrated strawberry and Rhubarb pie leading to tart cherry and a host of black fruits. The tannins are particularly lush and sweet, almost melting. Good core of acidity maintains the fruit well into the finish.

PAIRINGS

The fatness of this wine would make it a good accompaniment to prime rib slathered in crême of horseradish sauce, pasta Bolognese, and wood-fired Margherita pizza.

VARIETAL 72% Petite Sirah, 12% Syrah, 6% Zinfandel,
5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3% Malbec, 2% Merlot

APPELLATION 76% Lake County, 12% Sonoma County,
7% Mendocino County, 5% Paso Robles

ALCOHOL 13.6%

PH 3.75

TA 0.58gm/100ml

AGING 29 months in 2 year old and neutral oak barrels



Robert Goyette
WINEMAKER