

*Seebass*



*Family Wines*

**Syrah**

2011

Mendocino

NET CONTENT 750ML

ALCOHOL 14.5% BY VOL

### **Seebass (Say-Bass):**

- Brigitte Seebass, the founder and vineyard owner, was originally from Germany
- The name is derived from the old German name Sebastian
- The family crest: Originally drawn by the Seebass family friar or pastor in 1386
- Family originated in the area of Germany that is now Bavaria
- Family members have lived on the 100-acre vineyard in Mendocino County for 30 years and grow five varietals: Grenache, Chardonnay, Syrah, Merlot and Zinfandel

### **Details:**

- Bottled in June 2013 - 237 cases made
- 100% Estate-grown from Mayacama Bench Block, hand-harvested, hand-pruned
- Made by French winemaker Stéphane Vivier (**Shteh-fan Vivee-ay**)
- Aged in neutral French oak for over 20 months
- 14.3% alc., 3.5 pH, 22.5 brix

### **Tasting Notes:**

- The challenging harvest season created fruit expressive of the vineyard's elevated terroir and crisp fruit flavors
- Nose (smell) has savory notes of black pepper, olive tapenade, grilled meat, iodine, black tea, sage and black truffle mushroom
- Flavors of lavender, baking spice and chocolate characteristics that are not revealed on the nose, with lovely tannin maturity