

*Geebass*



*Family Wines*

*Grand Reserve*  
**Syrah**

Mayacama Bench Block

2012  
Mendocino

NET CONTENT 750ML

ALCOHOL 14.0% 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 May 2014 - 239 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., 3.6 pH, 23.5 brix

### **Tasting Notes:**

- A warm harvest season developed ripe fruit on the vineyard's elevated terroir and ripe fruit flavors
- Nose (smell) has warm notes of lavender, violets and ripe blueberries, baking spice, black pepper, iodine, sage and black truffle mushroom
- Flavors of rich violet floral and lavender notes, cocoa powder and chocolate characteristics that are not revealed on the nose, with lovely tannin maturity