1998 Métisse Proprietary Red

87% Cabernet Sauvignon 10% Merlot and 3% Cabernet Franc 100% Napa Valley

This wine comes entirely from hillside vineyards located exclusively in the Napa Valley. Tasting like a Pomerol, chocolate essence, rich with blackberry aromas. A very rich and dense wine, finishing with sweet and harmonious tannins.

Production: 450 cases of 750ml; 120 bottles of 1.5 L

Bottling: June 2000

Aging: 20 months in 59 gallon barrels;

65% new oak

Release: Spring 2001

Robert Parker Jr., - December, 2000

"A gorgeously-proportioned, full-bodied, dark purplecolored effort with superb density, soft, sweet tannin, a generous constitution, and copious quantities of blackberry and cassis."

1998 CJ Cabernet Sauvignon

100% Cabernet Sauvignon 100% Napa Valley

The appearance is a dark deep red. An impressive nose of fruit intensity reveals aroms as of black currant, anise and red cherry. Full of youth, this wine explodes flavors of caramel, smokiness, coffee, licorice and spice. The mouthfeel is harmonious with polished tannins.

Production: 650 cases Bottling: June 2000

Aging: 20 months in 59 gallon barrels;

45% new oak

Release: Fall 2000

--- Wine & Spirits, Fall 2001

"You might also seek out a few second-label wines from producers with good reputations, which parallel the elegance of their pricier siblings."