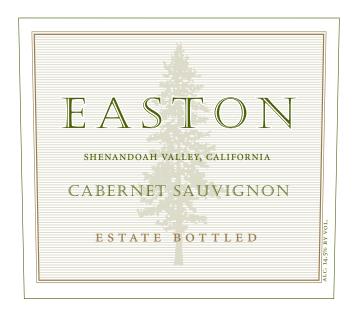
## Domaine de la Terre Rouge

## TERRE ROUGE® AND EASTON WINES



## 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon "Estate" - Shenandoah Valley

Our Cabernet Sauvignon is from the Baldinelli Vineyard which was planted in 1972 on St. George rootstock. This is an old, low bearing, small berry/cluster clone 6 - the Jackson Station clone. Yields are about 1-11/2 tons per acre. Our growing season is longer and cooler than what many might assume. It is comparable in many ways to the Howell Mountain region of the Napa Valley. Red, iron-laden soils of grainy decomposed granite. Warm days moderated by afternoon Delta breezes and cool night air from the High Sierra peaks just 50 miles to our East. Closer to harvest as the days become shorter, fruit cooled overnight takes half the day to warm again and matures slowly. Most of the grapes are fermented in 5 ton open top fermenters and hand-punched. The remainder are fermented in a 10 ton closed top tank where the cap is irrigated with a special device during pump-overs. Lots are combined at a later date depending on the winemaker's discretion. Aging takes place in 100% French Bordeaux barrels from Taransaud cooperage. They are thin-staved Bordeaux-styled Center of France barrels and 50% are brand new each year. The remainder of the barrels are from the two previous years vintages. The wine is in barrel for two years prior to bottling in the Fall of 2016. Following our extended élevage protocols, it was bottleaged 6 years prior to release.

Color is dark purple, with complex aromas of cedar, tobacco, and asian spice box. The fruit is blackberry/cassis/olive with a pleasant St. Julien-like texture, mineral-infused flavors, and sappiness. The wine has good balance, intensity, a plush texture, and length. It is delicious now, but it should age well for several more years.

14.5% alcohol by vol.; 3.60 pH; 6.0 gm./liter total acidity Release Date: February 2022