



Parabellum

Parabellum is Force Majeure's "Second Wine" — wine crafted from estate fruit produced by younger blocks in our vineyard. Our goal with Parabellum is to produce two beautiful, approachable and complex wines at lower price points. Parabellum wines are meant to be enjoyed in their youth, as opposed to consuming after aging a number of years in the cellar, as one might do with our main estate wine lineup.

The Parabellum portfolio includes 2 wines: a Bordeaux-varietal blend that will have varying amounts of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc and Petit Verdot; and a Rhone-varietal blend comprised primarily of Syrah, Grenache and Mourvedre. The inaugural vintage of Parabellum was 2013.



2014 Rhone-Varietal Blend

The Syrah based, entry-level cuvee is also flat out gorgeous. The 2014 Parabellum Rhone's deep ruby color is followed by classic aromas of peppery herbs, dark berry fruits and hints of minerality, full-bodied richness, gorgeous purity and a fresh, focused, lively texture that keeps you coming back to the glass. Like with the Parabellum Bordeaux cuvee, there's slightly less density than the Estate Syrah, yet it's impeccably made and will evolve gracefully.

(91-93)+ points, Jeb Dunnuck, *The Wine Advocate*

2014 Bordeaux-Varietal Blend

The entry-level 2014 Parabellum Bordeaux will certainly be an outstanding wine, and in a blind tasting, I'm sure it will seem much closer to the quality of the Estate Cabernet than the price would seem. Crème de cassis, lead pencil shavings, gravel and crushed rock all give way to a full-bodied, pure, elegant 2014 that's much more up-front and approachable than the grand vin. Drink this beauty anytime over the coming decade.

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