

# SCULPTERRA

2011 BENTLEY IRONWORKS  
CABERNET SAUVIGNON  
WINERY & SCULPTURE GARDEN



## THE FACTS

**Varietal Composition:**  
100% Cabernet Sauvignon  
**Appellation:** Paso Robles  
**Vineyard:** Frankel Family Estate  
**Vineyard Block:** Bentley Ironworks  
**Finished Alcohol:** 13.1%  
**Residual Sugar(G/F):** 0.05g/100ml  
**Total Acid:** .64 g/100ml  
**pH:** 3.85  
**Bottling Date:** May 23, 2013  
**Release Date:** December 1, 2014  
**Total Production:** 100 Cases

## THE VINEYARD

This 100% Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from our estate vineyard which features the rockiest soils. This 20 year old vineyard is 3.5 acres, cane-pruned, and is called, "Bentley Ironworks," because of its proximity to Robert Bentley's iron shop. The vineyard is unique in many ways. First off, we developed the trellis system on site! It's a mix of a head trained system on trellis with 4-8 canes per vines with pruned back spur positions. This training structure gets the best out of the vines with ripe fruit and uniformity. Clusters are super small, and vigor is balanced with crop load. The vine rows are oriented east and west giving each side of the canopy equal light. Hands down the taste of this Cabernet fruit is the best from the four Cabernet blocks on the estate.

## THE WINEMAKING

The fruit was processed in two lots and delivered to the winery, hand picked, in half-ton macro bins. Once at the winery, the fruit was de-stemmed into fermentation bins, cold soaked for two days and then pitched with yeast to start the fermentation process. For this wine we used three unique yeast strains during fermentation, greatly adding layers of complexity to the mouth feel. We aged this wine in 100% New French Oak barrels, which imparted flavors of butterscotch, vanilla, black coffee, and eucalypts. We bottled the wine after aging 20 months in the barrel.

## THE TASTE

Bentley Ironworks is our crown jewel Cabernet Sauvignon. It's the very best fruit we grow, from our oldest vineyard block on the estate. Shortly put, it's a stunningly good Cabernet. It's big and bold while maintaining a fresh and vibrant fruit quality. It dazzles the palette with delicious flavors of red fruit, blackberries, black cherries, cassis, chocolate, mint, spice, and toast. The tannins are thrilling and smooth, being firm and soft at the same time. This vintage of our premier Cabernet should develop bottle complexities for at least half a decade and perhaps even longer.

-Paul Frankel, Winemaker