## LASTELLA

## ESPRESSIVO 2015

The Winemaker's Notes

Espressivo is the newest member of the Lastella Family. 2015 marks the second release of Espressivo. A Tuscan inspired red blend much like its sibling Fortissimo, except Espressivo is Cabernet (Sauvignon and Franc) dominant while Fortissimo is Merlot dominant.

Espressivo is our way of paying respect to the pioneers of Tuscany who challenged the traditions of winemaking in the 50s and 60s to gain recognition for their wines.

2015 Espressivo is more approachable thanks to the nature of the 2015 growing season. The large format puncheons and Hungarian/Slavonian oak are evident in the subtle way the oak is present with whispers of baking spice nuances. The fruit profile is dark bramble fruit, married with savoury, herbal and spicy notes. Compared to its sibling Fortissimo, the tannins here are edgier and the wine is more expressive on the nose. We look forward to following the evolution of this wine in the bottle for years to come.

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## Food Pairing:

Bitter green (like Lacinato kale) gnudi with lamb ragu.

The Details

Grape Variety:	55% Cabernet Franc, 20% Cabernet Sauvignon, 20% Merlot, 5% Sangiovese	Old world meets the new world. Paying respect to the 1960's movement in Tuscary later known as "Super Tuscar", 55% Cabernet Franc, 20% Cabernet Sawigmon, 20% Merlot and 5% Sangiovese come together in expressive harmony. Aged in Slavonian and French oak barrels and puncheons. Espressivo is boldly articulated with gallant finese.
Grown:	23.5% Black Sage bench, 76.5% Osoyoos Lake district	
Vineyard:	Crowley, Hanson, Selona, Lumeno	Unfined, lightly filtered. Decant off sediments.
Age of Vines:	Varied	
Yield:	3.7 tons/acre	*
Production Size:	175 cases	
Alcohol:	14.80%	
Clarification:	Unfined, lightly filtered	
Aging:	19 months in French and Slavonian oak barrels and puncehons. 14% new oak, 14% 2nd fill, 72% neutral	LASTELLA

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