



Dear Vintners Club member:

In this box is your August 2018 allotment for your Vintners Club membership.

The summer is moving along quickly and so are the vineyards. The 2018's are shaping up to be a great year. We at Obelisco hope you have been having a great summer Celebrating Life and the great weather. Just like the vineyard progress, the August 2018 allotment just feels good. The 2014 wines we produced that are in the allotment really hit the mark and are quintessential Obelisco family style. There is nothing better than spending time with the family you love whether it is a big gathering or just one person on the back deck. Sharing a glass of Obelisco during these times brings it all home. So, raise a glass and toast those close to you.

In this allotment, you will be receiving the 2014 Electrum Cabernet, the 2014 Malbec and the 2014 Merlot. We held the last of the Merlot so we could make sure each Vintners member got one more bottle. We are very proud of this vintage and seeing some of them sell out soon will be a little bitter sweet. Remember, any normal day can become special with a special bottle of wine.

The Obelisco team would like to thank our wine club member family for their support and friendship. Celebrate life and cheers to you!

In this shipment you have the following wines:

2014 Electrum Cabernet

2014 Malbec

2014 Merlot

Betsy Long

&

Ken Abbott

Obelisco Estate Wines

2014 OBELISCO Electrum Cabernet Sauvignon

AVA: Red Mountain

Winemakers: Doug Long, Pete Hedges, Sarah Goedhart

Blend: 90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 7.5% Merlot, 2.5% Malbec

Vineyards: 100% Obelisco

Bottling: 496 cases 750ml 50 Magnums

Alcohol: 15% vol.

Barrels: 30% new oak; 100% French

Tasting Notes: Dark purple, red color. Dark blackberry fruit aromas with mincemeat spice, black and red licorice and a sweet vanilla toast background. On the palate this wine is full, rich, and slightly sweet with blackberry fruit, mincemeat spice, toasted oak and hints of custard, clove and wet earth. The mouth feel is lush and smooth on the entry and in the mid-palate and finishes long with nicely balanced acid and noticeable tannins, which make for a long, long finish.

Cellaring: Because it is made from Red Mountain grapes this wine should age well for the next 10 to 15 years. Because it is Obelisco fruit, it is soft and inviting now for wine that is 90% Cabernet.



2014 OBELISCO Malbec

AVA: Red Mountain

Winemakers: Sarah Goedhart, Pete Hedges, Doug Long

Blend: 86% Malbec, 14% Cabernet Sauvignon

Vineyards: 100% Obelisco

Bottling: 347 cases 750ml

Alcohol: 13.7% vol.

Barrels: 30% new oak, 100% French

Tasting Notes: Deep, dark red-purple color. Very pure aromas of black cherry and dried basil shine through, with undertones of cocoa powder, clove, vanilla and cola. On the palate the wine is medium to full-bodied. It is slightly sweet consisting of dried herb notes, dark cherry, pie cherry fruit, slight vanilla toast with a slightly tart mid-palate and a long, soft finish. It's a pleasure to smell and drink. Yummy.

Cellaring: This wine is drinking well now, especially if you like to sniff and sniff and sniff again to smell the ever-evolving aromatics. It will be interesting to see how the intense fruit of this wine changes with age. This is a Malbec, and is well known for its great softness and fruit. It is also 100% Red Mountain, which is known for its longer-aged wines. We're guessing this wine should be a good cellar ager. The Cabernet added to the mix will bring on the longevity a bit more. We are continually pleased with how consistently good the Red Mountain Malbec has become.



2014 OBELISCO Merlot

AVA: Red Mountain

Winemakers: Doug Long, Sarah Goedhart

Blend: 81% Merlot, 19% Cabernet

Vineyards: 100% Obelisco

Bottling: 198 cases 750ml

Alcohol: 13.7% vol.

Barrels: 60% new - 40% new French, 20% new Am. & 40% Neutral American.

Tasting Notes: Beautiful deep red color. On the nose, the aroma is full of red berries, herbs and hints of citrus peel, dark floral notes with slight perfume. On the palate this wine is full, rich and surprisingly bright with flavors of raspberries, cherries, sage spice with inklings of cinnamon and vanilla. The mouth feel is soft, with satisfying structure, with a full, long, yet slightly sweet finish that endures with nicely balanced acid and tannins.

Cellaring: Because it is made from Red Mountain Merlot and Cabernet this wine should age well for the next 10 to 12 years. Because it is Obelisco fruit it is soft and inviting now.