PULIDO-WALKER

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Pulido – **Walker** is the culmination of a patient journey toward the possible. Under the watchful eye of our winemaker, Thomas Rivers Brown, we chose two remarkable vineyard sites where the natural alchemy of geography, soil, climate, and clone combine to yield a 100% Cabernet Sauvignon greater than the sum of its parts.

Pritchard Hill's Melanson Vineyard immediately captivated Thomas' attention as he and Mark drove its steep and rugged, boulder-strewn grounds. Located on a rocky, gentle knoll along the old Napa River bed wash in St. Helena, the Panek Vineyard possessed all the characteristics to yield superb fruit and is Thomas' personal selection for his own vineyard designate.

In each of these sought after vineyards, we carefully thin our vines several times throughout the growing season, leaving only the very best fruit for hand selection during harvest. Our winemaking takes a non-interventionist approach crafting natural wines that reflect their unique *terroir*.

Pulido~Walker is dedicated to the perfection of every element and to crafting exceptional single vineyard designate Cabernet Sauvignon.

Proprietors Mark Pulido and Donna Walker grew up in pharmacy families, and this early common experience is integral to the Pulido~Walker philosophy. Their scientific backgrounds make Mark and Donna precise, inquisitive, and detailed; they know that perseverance and attentive observation yield results worth waiting for. Few people have the commitment or the endurance—never mind the conviction of their principles—to completely reframe the experiment mid-stream.

Although they had '08 and '09 vintages in barrel, Mark and Donna postponed the launch of their winery to investigate what new vineyards and a new winemaker could contribute in terms of quality. Experts concurred that these early vintages were very good, but Mark and Donna insisted that Pulido~Walker had to be better than very good. It had to be extraordinary.

Their patient and determined pursuit of the possible inspired Nancy Andrus Duckhorn and Thomas Rivers Brown to join the team. The selection of Melanson Vineyard on Pritchard Hill and the Panek Vineyard in St. Helena solidified the foundation for Pulido~Walker wines.