



## 2014 NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Our Napa Valley offering is a blend of Howell Mountain, Rutherford and St. Helena estate property grapes, allowing a mix of various classic Cabernet flavors from valley and mountain conditions. Each vintage we find specific characteristics that are unique to that site and are repeated annually. At the same time, every growing season imparts an identity with subtle to dramatic differences in flavors and texture. The additional range of harvest dates from September to October combine to create a rich and complex wine without having to blend in other varieties.

The drought in California continued throughout the winter of 2013-2014 but the north coast did receive well-timed rains, allowing us to support a healthy, delicious crop. The growing season was ideal for fully ripening all of our vineyards in the early fall. This 100% Cabernet shows its mountain heritage with ripe black fruit, deep color and firm structure, accented by the valley floor characteristics of berry fruit and good acidity. Aromas include blackberry, cassis, cherry, vanilla oak and black licorice. The initial mouthfeel is intense but very velvety, with a sweetness provided by the intense fruit contribution. Black cherry fruit, cedar, spice and a hint of leather are carried to the complex finish with a rewarding balance of acid and tannin. Decanting within the first several years of release will significantly enhance the enjoyment of this vintage, as will cellaring for many more years.

### **HARVEST INFORMATION:**

Harvest Dates: September 20 to October 14, 2014

Vineyard Locations: St. Helena (26%), Howell Mountain (52%) and Rutherford (22%)  
6 clone blend

### **COOPERAGE:**

Barrel Aged 20 Months

50% New French Oak

Bottled July 8, 2016

Cases Produced: 3,236

### **TECHNICAL DATA:**

100% Napa Valley

100% Estate Grown Cabernet Sauvignon

100% Organically Grown Grapes

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.71

TA: 5.9 g/L

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