



# COQUEREL

## 2013 CABERNET SAUVIGNON

| NAPA VALLEY |

### OVERVIEW

Coquerel Family Wine Estates is located just beyond the town of Calistoga at the north end of the Napa Valley. The heart and soul of our winery is our estate vineyard, a gorgeous, oak-studded property that sits in the afternoon shadows of the Mayacamas Mountains. Since 2005, we have done extensive enhancement and replanting of the site to ensure world-class fruit from vintage to vintage. The combination of warm temperatures and deep, clay soils makes this ideal terroir for Sauvignon Blanc, our flagship variety. It also produces exceptional Verdelho, Tempranillo and Petite Sirah. In addition to our estate fruit, we source Chardonnay, Cabernet and other noble grapes from a handful of premier growers throughout the Napa Valley.

### VINTAGE

The 2013 vintage had 16% more rainfall than that of 2012. We had a dry spring with no frost after bud break and average crop load. The summer was warm with cool mornings. During the second week of August and beginning of September we experienced a heat spike which is normal for California. The rest of the season was cooler. We harvested our Cabernet Sauvignon in the early morning on September 26th.

### WINEMAKING

The grapes were de-stemmed, crushed, cold macerated for 24 hours and punched down throughout fermentation to extract as much flavor as possible. The wine was then pressed into barrels for malolactic fermentation and aged 28 months in French oak (25% new).

### TASTING NOTES

The fruit for our 2013 Cabernet Sauvignon came from a sloped site in St. Helena. The wine is moderately dark with a highly aromatic nose featuring earth, dried herbs, cherries, leather and licorice. The palate is round and balanced with an undercoating of soft tannins. While this wine drinks beautifully now it will continue to improve over the next decade.

### STATISTICS

<b>COMPOSITION</b> .....	100% Cabernet Sauvignon	<b>TA</b> .....	6.14
<b>REGION</b> .....	St. Helena, Napa Valley	<b>pH</b> .....	3.7
<b>AGING</b> .....	28 months in French oak (25% new)	<b>ALCOHOL</b> .....	14.5%
		<b>CASES</b> .....	100

