# TERRA VALENTINE

# 2014 K BLOCK Cabernet Sauvignon



# Vintage:

n spite of the drought and the South Napa earthquake, vintners are using words like 'quality,' 'depth of flavor' and 'excellent' to describe their expectations for the 2014 vintage in Napa Valley. Many are also noting 'perfect weather,' 'abundant crop' and 'good fortune' among the blessings they are counting in a season where Mother Nature threw a rockin' curveball."

## Vineyard:

The Wurtele Vineyard (pronounced wer-tul), planted in the early 1990's, is comprised of 35 acres planted to 100% clone 7 cabernet sauvignon, ranging in elevations from 600 feet to nearly 1,000 feet with 360 degrees of sun exposure and rocky, well-drained soils consisting primarily of volcanic and sedimentary. The K block is located at 875 feet on a western facing slope. The Aiken Series red volcanic clay soils are full of large rocks that keep the soil temperatures warm long after the sun has gone down.

#### Tasting:

Black plum, mulberry and boysenberry fruit with cocoa, violet, cedar, dusty earth, dried herbs, and vanilla. Forward, juicy, fruit flavors with soft tannins on the mid-palate finishing with lingering flavors of caramel and vanilla.

### Composition:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Barrel Regime:

22 months in French oak - 50% new

#### **Harvest Dates:**

October 3rd

# **Bottling:**

75 cases

#### Vinification:

Fermented in a small 2 ton lot to retain terrior and individuality of the specially selected sliver of vineyard.

**Aging:** 2017 - 2025