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## 2016 THE GRADE CELLARS “Kingly Project” Cabernet Sauvignon



Variety:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	Napa Valley   Calistoga Sub-AVA
Proprietors:	Brenda Mixson & Tom Thornton
Winemaker:	Thomas Rivers Brown
Release Date:	September 2019
Release Price:	\$165 retail per 750ml
Vineyard:	Winfield Vineyard (100% Estate Grown) Old Toll Road, Calistoga, CA
Harvest Date:	October 10, 2016
Vines:	Block 5 – Clone 337 on R/S SO4
Cooperage:	100% French Oak from Taransaud and Remond (90% new)
Aging:	19 months; Bottled June 20, 2018
Panel:	14.7 % Alcohol; 3.90 pH; 5.5 g/L Titratable Acidity
Production:	100 cases

### Winemaker's Tasting Notes:

*“Densely layered and brooding are accurate notes for this vintage of the Kingly Project. Visiting and re-visiting the wine each time seems to reveal new notes and expressions like a colorful tapestry of scents and tastes. The wine is a completely opaque deep purple in the glass.”*

*“Aromatic notes suggest star anise, flint, blackberry paste, and distressed leather. The palate expresses itself with even deeper notes of baker's dark chocolate, rhubarb, roasted cedar bark, brambly jam, and crushed river rock.”*

*“The mouthfeel of this wine is structured and shows an architectural framework with pronounced and shouldered tannins. With a few hours in the decanter or 3-5 years in the cellar this wine will blossom.”*

*-- Thomas Rivers Brown*