



THE GRADE
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2014 THE GRADE Cellars “Winfield Vineyard” Cabernet Sauvignon



Variety:	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
Appellation:	Napa Valley Calistoga Sub-AVA
Proprietors:	Brenda Mixson & Tom Thornton
Winemaker:	Thomas Rivers Brown
Release Date:	March 2017
Release Price:	\$100 retail per 750ml
Vineyard:	Winfield Vineyard (100% Estate Grown) Old Toll Road, Calistoga, CA
Harvest Date:	Block 1 – October 3, 2014 Block 5 – October 8, 2014
Vines:	Block 1 – Clone 7/Rootstock 110R Block 5 – Clone 337/Rootstock SO4
Cooperage:	100% French Oak from Treuil and Jarnac (60% new)
Aging:	20 months; Bottled June 21, 2016
Panel:	14.5% Alcohol; 3.88 pH; 6.0 g/L Titratable Acidity
Production:	530 cases

Winemaker’s Tasting Notes:

“The 2014 Winfield Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon provides a wealth of hedonistic enjoyment immediately upon opening the bottle. The chromatic profile of the wine is noted by an opaque purple hue with a deep rose halo around the rim.

“Aromatic notes of spearmint, bramble and crushed blackberries swell out of the glass. On the palate, the profile takes a darker, more intense turn towards notes of cocoa nib, sage smoke, tobacco leaf, cassis, lavender oil, and grilled Portobello. The fine tannin structure is most pronounced on the edges of the palate, which provides a confident framework for the dense, layered fruit core. This wine is ready to experience now, and with 2-3 years in the cellar it will become increasingly more elegant and integrated.”

-- Thomas Brown