



## 2017 HOWELL MOUNTAIN CABERNET SAUVIGNON

Super-ripe pure cherries jubilee with just a kiss of dusty cedar aromas. A mouth-coating explosion of flavors floods the palate, resolving with a balanced cleansing natural acidity. Fine tannins gently grip the midpalate as these ripe flavors linger on and on.

The late ripening and longer hang-time of Mountain fruit produces fully ripe wines with balanced acidity, soft tannins and a rich mid-palate that are associated with thoroughly ripe black-cherry Cabernet.

This estate wine is single-vineyard fruit grown at 2,000 foot elevation on our property near the summit of Howell Mountain – mostly Clone 7 and Clone 4 Cabernet Sauvignon vines planted in the 1990s and some planted in the 2010s.

Vineyard Manager Hector Lopez's exceptional skills consistently produce the best fruit I have ever worked with. Though production of our Howell Mountain Cabernet is limited, it is my favorite wine, bar none.

During Harvest 2017, we were thankfully spared from the flames and any smoke damage to our fruit by the wildfires that ravaged Napa and Sonoma counties that year – most of our wines were already in tank or barrel.

## **SPECIFICATIONS**

Wine: 2017 Howell Mountain Cabernet Sauvignon

Appellation: Howell Mountain, Napa Valley

Vineyard: Robert Foley Estate

Harvest: Hand-picked October 2017

Vinification: Ten-day fermentation, French Oak barrels

Alcohol: 14.9%

Bottled: August 2019 Production: 80 cases Winemaker: Bob Foley

Retail price: \$200