

Robert Foley

VINEYARDS



2019 KELLY'S CUVEE SYRAH

The Solari Syrah block grows on a deposit of gravel from an ancient river bottom, north of Calistoga, near the headwaters of the Napa River at Mount St Helena's base.

The extreme drainage this gravel provides allows the Syrah grape to develop very dark pigments and highly extractable black fruit flavors, aromas and textures while retaining a perfect acid balance.

With focus on its varietal character, the composition is 100% single vineyard Syrah aged in entirely neutral French oak barrels. Drinkable in its youth, this bottling will continue to evolve gracefully for many years.

Ten years ago we received our first small load of Syrah grapes from the Solari Vineyard. We were seeking dark expressive contributors to our red table wine blend. After a year in barrel, Kelly sampled the young 10-barrel cuvée and declared it amazing and worthy of bottling on its own. In Kelly's honor, the label bears her name.

SPECIFICATIONS

Wine: 2019 Kelly's Cuvée Syrah

Appellation: Napa Valley

Vineyard: Solari Vineyard [Calistoga]

Harvest: Hand-picked early October 2019

Vinification: Destemmed; 7-day fermentation in stainless steel tanks; aged 19 months in neutral cooperage

Alcohol: 15.5%

Bottled: May 2021

Production: 247 cases

Winemaker: Bob Foley

Retail price: \$45