



## 2019 “VILLA VISTA” CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### NAPA VALLEY

Kuleto is one of the most complex and diverse wine producing properties in the world. Located in the volcanic mountains of eastern Napa, our estate features vines perched along ridges and clinging to steep hillsides. Our soils, exposures, elevation changes and sub-climates are so complex that we have delineated our property into dozens of micro-blocks. Each of these tiny plots is treated as an individual vineyard with varieties, clones, rootstocks, density, trellising and farming methods tailored specifically to the site.

For winemaker Giovanni Verdejo, there is a mutual understanding that all but a small percentage of the winemaker’s work is done in the vineyard. Keeping the vineyard’s serpentine twists and exposures in mind, the best-suited varietals for each block have been selected. Working with the land, not against it, the individually terraced lots are not oriented to one central direction, but instead are planted to maximize the benefits of their natural location.

#### WINEMAKER’S NOTES

2019 was a near perfect growing season. An early and warm summer pushed sugars into gear, while a cooler fall with a few heat spikes helped to achieve even ripening. The 2019 crop produced fruit with intense flavors while staying true to each varietal’s distinctive characteristics.

Wine lots and barrels selected for our Villa Vista Cabernet Sauvignon don’t necessarily come from a particular spot on the estate (à la Vineyard Designate), but rather share common flavor and structural attributes that highlight bright red fruit and a balance of sweet and savory spice aromas. Certain lots are pushed further in the desired flavor and structural profile by co-fermenting with other varieties.

#### TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Villa Vista Cabernet Sauvignon has aromas of cedar, plum, and cocoa powder that show promise of depth and complexity. The soft entry on the palate turns to richness and roundness with plenty of dark fruit including plum, boysenberries, and blackberries with a long silky finish.

#### TECHNICAL DATA

Varietal Composition: 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

Aging: 23 months in 40% new French and American oak

Alcohol: 15.4% | pH: 3.68 | TA: 5.53 g/L | Cases Produced: 277