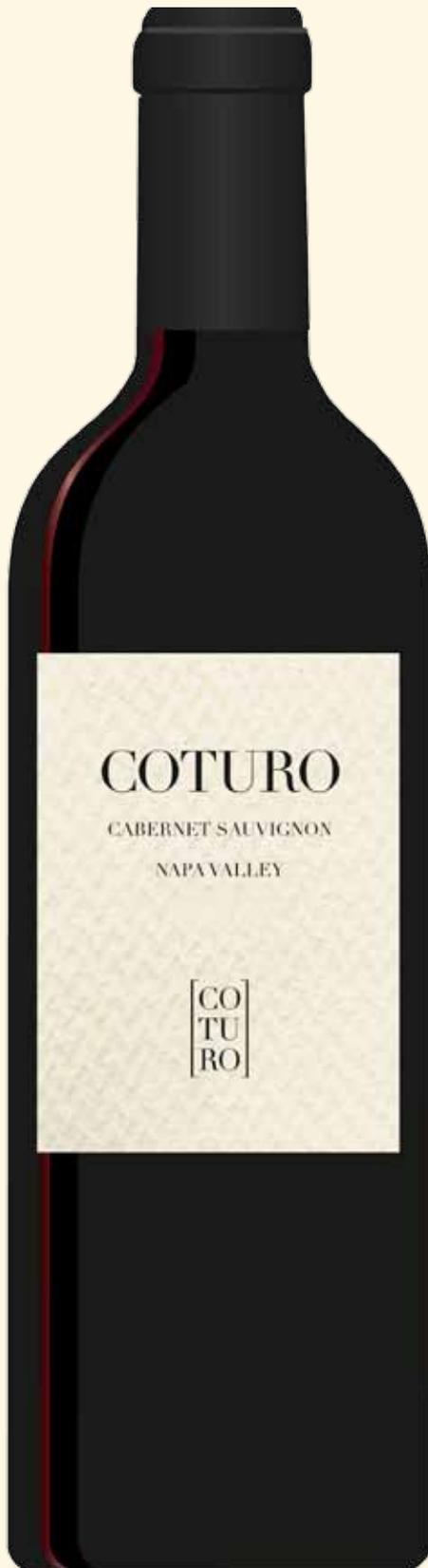


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# COTURO

## 2014 NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON



### Vineyards

Howell Mtn. - Napa Valley, St. Helena - Napa Valley,  
Stewart - Carneros Napa Valley, Red Hills Lake County

### Composition

90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Syrah, 5% Merlot

### Harvest Dates

Sept. 6, 11, 12, & 23

### Fermentation

10 days average, up to 82°

### Maceration

18 days average

### Oak aging

19 months, French 66% new

### Bottling Date

May 3, 2016

### Production

160 cases 6 x 750ml

TA 0.56 g/100 ml :: pH 3.82 :: Alc. 14.5% :: RS 0.27 g/L

### Tasting Notes

When we initiated the Coturo project several years ago, we had one guiding principle. We would seek out only the finest grapes available to create a distinctive and memorable wine that would distinguish itself from the pack. The Cabernet Sauvignon comes from two highly regarded organic vineyards on Howell Mountain, and the other on the eastern bench-land of St. Helena. We continue with Merlot from the Carneros region of Napa Valley, and a small amount of Syrah from the up and coming Red Hills Lake County appellation which adds a little twist to the blend, as well as paying homage to the founders of the Coturo label.

Our winemaking style remains one of non-intervention. A great respect for tradition and the desire to preserve the personality of each of the vineyards guide our decisions. Several decades of experience and intuition are more important for the winemaker than numbers and formula. We seek depth of flavor but structure and complexity are always the driving forces.

We were rewarded with another outstanding vintage in 2014. Sunshine and a warm dry spring gave way to mild and ideal growing conditions throughout the summer. An uneventful growing season without extremes is always welcome. Harvest began early and finished early, avoiding the potentially cool and rainy autumn conditions.

As for the 2014 Coturo. Youthful dark ruby in color, the seductive and intriguing nose offers classic cassis and black cherry notes with hints of vanilla, allspice, and anise. The aromas continue to draw you back. Black cherry flavors are reined in with a vibrant, focused and lively structure. Tannins are modest and appropriate. The wine clearly has great longevity and will continue to grow and reward with time. A graceful and elegant vintage.