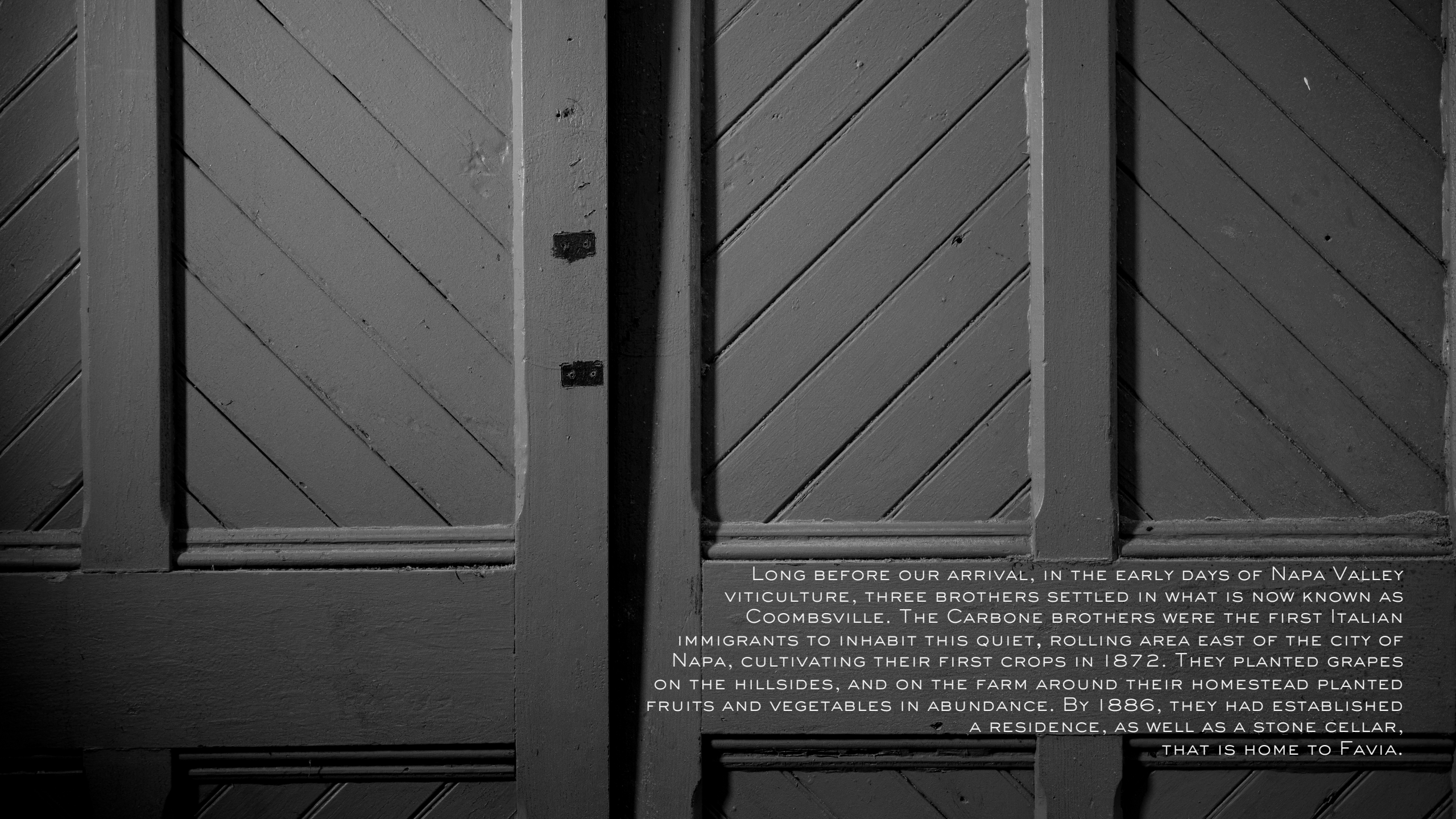


IN COLLABORATION WITH NATURE, WITH REVERENCE FOR CRAFT, IN HONOR OF PLACE.

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LONG BEFORE OUR ARRIVAL, IN THE EARLY DAYS OF NAPA VALLEY VITICULTURE, THREE BROTHERS SETTLED IN WHAT IS NOW KNOWN AS COOMBSVILLE. THE CARBONE BROTHERS WERE THE FIRST ITALIAN IMMIGRANTS TO INHABIT THIS QUIET, ROLLING AREA EAST OF THE CITY OF NAPA, CULTIVATING THEIR FIRST CROPS IN 1872. THEY PLANTED GRAPES ON THE HILLSIDES, AND ON THE FARM AROUND THEIR HOMESTEAD PLANTED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES IN ABUNDANCE. BY 1886, THEY HAD ESTABLISHED A RESIDENCE, AS WELL AS A STONE CELLAR, THAT IS HOME TO FAVIA.

FAVIA WINES BEGAN AS A COLLABORATION BETWEEN ANNIE FAVIA AND ANDY ERICKSON. THEIR PHILOSOPHY IS SIMPLE: CREATE SOULFUL WINES THAT EXPRESS THE TRUE NATURE OF THE VINEYARDS FROM WHICH THEY COME.

TOGETHER, ALONG WITH WINEMAKER JESSICA TARPY, THEY FOCUS ON FINDING UNIQUE VINEYARD SITES WITH SOILS, CLIMATE AND ASPECTS IDEAL FOR GROWING EXQUISITE WINE GRAPES, AND DEVELOP STRONG RELATIONSHIPS WITH SELECT WINEGROWERS TO PERFECT VITICULTURAL PRACTICES.





IN THE WINERY, THEY CAREFULLY COAX THE GRAPES INTO WINE. GENTLE HANDLING, MINIMAL INTERVENTION, AND STRICT MONITORING OF THE WINE ALLOW THE GRAPES TO SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES.

ULTIMATELY, THEY UNITE SCIENCE, ART AND NATURE TO PRODUCE UNPARALLELED WINES, EACH WITH ITS OWN DISTINCT CHARACTER.



ANNIE FAVIA – FOUNDER, VITICULTURALIST

KEEN ON ALL THINGS GREEN, VITICULTURIST ANNIE FAVIA IS DOWN TO EARTH IN A LITERAL SENSE. EMBRACING NATURE AND ADVOCATING ON ITS BEHALF, ANNIE TRULY BELIEVES ALL PLANTS, VINES AT THE FOREFRONT, ARE SPEAKING TO US AND IT'S OUR RESPONSIBILITY TO LISTEN. ARDENT ABOUT LEAVING HER SURROUNDS IN A BETTER STATE THAN THEY WERE FOUND, ANNIE CARES FOR PLANTS AND BRINGS THEM TO AN EVER-EXPANDING TABLE, WHERE THE FRUITS OF THE GARDEN AND THE CELLAR CAN BE ENJOYED WITH LIVELY, INTROSPECTIVE CONVERSATION TO BOOT!

ANDY ERICKSON – FOUNDER, WINEMAKER

EXPERIENCES GAINED FROM A SUMMER IN FRANCE DURING UNIVERSITY, AND MANY SUBSEQUENT TRIPS TO WINEGROWING REGIONS IN EUROPE, FUELED ANDY'S ENTHUSIASM FOR THE CONCEPT OF "TERROIR" AS WELL AS FOR WINES MADE FROM SPECIAL PLACES. ANDY'S GOAL AS A WINEMAKER IS TO HIGHLIGHT THE CHARACTER OF EACH UNIQUE VINEYARD SITE HE WORKS WITH – WHETHER AT A CLIENTS' ESTATE VINEYARDS, OR THE VINEYARDS THAT PRODUCE THE FAVIA WINES. FEELING INCREDIBLY LUCKY TO CALL NAPA VALLEY HIS HOME, ANDY CONSTANTLY MARVELS AT THE DIVERSITY OF SOILS AND MICROCLIMATES IN THIS SMALL YET DIVERSE VALLEY.

JESSICA TARPY SHAHEEN – WINEMAKER

JESSICA IS A TRUE RENAISSANCE WOMAN. FROM HER CHILDHOOD GROWING UP IN LOUISIANA TO COLLEGE YEARS SPENT IN ITALY BEFORE LANDING IN CALIFORNIA, SHE IS BY ALL ACCOUNTS INTERESTED AND INTERESTING. AS FAVIA'S WINEMAKER, SHE ORCHESTRATES THE MARRIAGE OF DISCIPLINES — BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, BOTANY, GEOLOGY, GEOGRAPHY — SEAMLESSLY INTO THEIR POETIC AND INEXHAUSTIBLE UNION OF WINE. AN HONEST AND RELIABLE SOUNDING BOARD, JESSICA'S PALATE IS TUNED INTO THE SUBTLE BALANCE WE TRY TO ILLUMINATE IN OUR WINES.



FAVIA NAPA VALLEY RED WINES ARE ALL PRODUCED WITH A NOD TO HIGHLIGHTING THE VINEYARDS FROM WHICH THEY ARE BORN. HARVESTED AT OPTIMUM RIPENESS, AGED TWENTY-TWO MONTHS IN APPROXIMATELY FIFTY PERCENT NEW FRENCH OAK, BOTTLED UNFINED AND UNFILTERED, BOTTLE-AGED FOR ONE YEAR PRIOR TO RELEASE.

2021 VINTAGE NOTES

THE 2021 GROWING SEASON FELL IN THE MIDDLE OF A MULTI-YEAR DROUGHT IN CALIFORNIA. WITH VERY LITTLE WINTER AND SPRING RAIN, THE VINES WORKED HARD TO DEVELOP CANOPIES, AND IN THE END SET A RELATIVELY SMALL CROP. LUCKILY, SUMMER TEMPERATURES WERE RELATIVELY MILD, WITH ONLY A COUPLE OF DAYS WITH PEAK TEMPERATURES OVER 100 DEGREES FAHRENHEIT (38C). THIS MEANT THAT THE FRUIT WAS ABLE TO MATURE SLOWLY, AND FRUIT QUALITY AT HARVEST WAS BALANCED AND CONCENTRATED. IN FACT, THE AMPLE SUN EXPOSURE OF THE FRUIT LED TO REMARKABLE PHENOLIC DEVELOPMENT, WITH THE GRAPES AT HARVEST HAVING VERY DARK COLOR AND HIGHLY STRUCTURED TANNINS.

THE HARVEST ARRIVED RELATIVELY EARLY, AND AT FAVIA WE WERE HARVESTING OUR OAKVILLE FRUIT BEGINNING ON SEPTEMBER 7. THE MILD TEMPERATURES ALLOWED US TO CONTINUE HARVESTING METHODICALLY FOR OVER A MONTH, WITH THE LAST COOMBSVILLE CABERNET SAUVIGNON COMING INTO THE WINERY ON OCTOBER 13. THIS LONG HARVEST GAVE US A BROAD SPECTRUM OF BLENDING COMPONENTS WITH WHICH TO CRAFT OUR 2021 WINES.

ACROSS THE BOARD, THE 2021 WINES FROM FAVIA SHOW GREAT DEPTH, PLEASANT NATURAL ACIDITY, AND STRONG VARIETAL EXPRESSION. THE VINTAGE SHOWS ALL THE POWER AND RICHNESS EXPECTED FROM NAPA VALLEY, AND WITH A TANNIC BACKBONE THAT WILL ALLOW THE WINES TO AGE FOR DECADES TO COME.





FAVIA CERRO SUR RED WINE

THE WINE MOST REFLECTIVE OF OUR SENSE OF PLACE,
FROM ONE OF THE MOST MAJESTIC SITES TO GROW
CABERNET FRANC, OUR FAVORITE VARIETY.
PLANTED NEARLY FORTY YEARS AGO HIGH IN THE
EASTERN VACA MOUNTAINS, THIS WINE, MORE THAN
ANY OTHER, REMINDS US OF HOME.



2021 FAVIA CERRO SUR RED WINE

RANCHO CHIMILES, THE CLASSIC CALIFORNIA RANCH HIGH IN THE MOUNTAINS EAST OF COOMBSVILLE, IS THE HOME OF THE CABERNET FRANC AT THE CORE OF OUR PERENNIALY IMPRESSIVE BLENDED RED WINE, CERRO SUR. THESE MATURE VINES, IN THIS VERY SPECIAL TERROIR, PRODUCE A WINE OF SINGULAR CHARACTER, AROMATIC ENTHUSIASM, AND FRESH, FOCUSED FLAVORS. AFTER METICULOUS SORTING, THE GRAPES ARE CAREFULLY MONITORED THROUGH FERMENTATION AND MACERATION, GIVING THE WINE A FINE TEXTURE AND A NARROW FOCUS. THIS IS FOLLOWED BY 22 MONTHS OF AGING IN 50% NEW FRENCH OAK BARRELS, AND BOTTLING WITHOUT FINING OR FILTRATION, WHICH WE FEEL HELPS TO MAXIMIZE THE POTENTIAL OF THE WINE.

THE 2021 CERRO SUR CAPTURES THE INTENSITY OF THE VINTAGE. IT WAS THE SECOND YEAR IN A MULTI-YEAR DROUGHT IN CALIFORNIA, SO THE VINES PRODUCED A LIMITED CROP OF VERY EXPRESSIVE FRUIT. THE CABERNET FRANC FROM THIS HIGH ELEVATION SITE DELIVERED A WINE WITH STRONG VARIETAL CHARACTER, SHOWING NOTES OF LICORICE, CARDAMOM, ASIAN MARKET SPICES, AND BRIGHT RED CHERRY. AROUND THIS CORE, WE BLENDED CABERNET SAUVIGNON, WHICH ADDS MID-PALATE WEIGHT AND A BLACK FRUIT DENSITY, AND MERLOT, WHICH BRINGS FRESHNESS AND ROUNDNESS. COMING UP ON TWO DECADES OF EXPERIENCE MAKING THIS WINE FROM THESE OLD VINES, WE KNOW THE AGING TRAJECTORY OF THIS WINE: IT WILL ONLY CONTINUE TO BECOME MORE COMPLEX AND ALLURING WITH TIME IN THE BOTTLE.

53% CABERNET FRANC, 32% CABERNET SAUVIGNON, 15% MERLOT

JEB DUNNUCK – 98 POINTS
ANTONIO GALLONI/VINOUS – 97 POINTS
LISA PEROTTI-BROWN/THE WINE INDEPENDENT – 97 POINTS
JAMES SUCKLING – 97 POINTS
ADDITIONAL REVIEWS PENDING



RANCHO CHIMILES

ON THE SOUTHERN END OF THE NAPA VALLEY'S VACA RANGE, ON THE OPPOSITE SIDE OF MT GEORGE FROM THE CITY OF NAPA, THE HISTORIC 1200-ACRE PROPERTY, ONLY SEVENTY OF WHICH ARE PLANTED TO GRAPES, ABUNDANTS WITH BIODIVERSITY FROM CATTLE TO OLIVE, FRUIT AND NATIVE OAK AND BUCKEYE TREES. OUR VINEYARD BLOCK IS COMPRISED OF GNARLED VINES PLANTED IN 1988 TO A NORTHEASTERN EXPOSURE, WITH INCREDIBLE STAMINA.



WE CONTINUOUSLY MARVEL AT THE UNIQUENESS OF THIS SITE, AS IT IS RARE TO FIND CABERNET FRANC IN THE NAPA VALLEY, EVEN MORE RARE TO FIND IT ON A ROCKY HILLSIDE, AND RARER STILL ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE VALLEY WITH GREAT EXPOSURE AND INCREDIBLE AGE.

FAVIA CABERNET SAUVIGNON COOMBSVILLE

A SINGULAR EXPRESSION OF CABERNET SAUVIGNON FROM THIS VERY SPECIAL APPELLATION. VOLCANIC SOILS, COOLER TEMPERATURES, AND THOUGHTFUL VITICULTURE RESULT IN PRECISE TEXTURAL AND AROMATIC INTENSITY. A TRUE ARCHETYPE OF COOMBSVILLE.



2021 FAVIA CABERNET SAUVIGNON COOMBSVILLE

OUR OFFERING OF PURE CABERNET SAUVIGNON FROM COOMBSVILLE REPRESENTS OUR BEST EXPRESSION OF THE HISTORIC, HOWEVER NEWLY ASCENDANT, APPELLATION IN THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE NAPA VALLEY. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH VINEYARDS IN THIS AREA FOR NEARLY TWO DECADES AND IT IS HOME TO OUR WINERY. ITS GRAVELLY, VOLCANIC SOILS AND PROXIMITY TO SAN PABLO BAY COMBINE TO LEND THE WINES AN OLD-WORLD QUALITY, DELIVERED AT AN IMPRESSIVE LEVEL OF CONCENTRATION AND DEPTH.

2021, WAS A VINTAGE DEFINED BY SMALL CROPS AND GREAT INTENSITY. THE GROWING SEASON WAS DRY, BUT RELATIVELY MILD TEMPERATURES IN COOMBSVILLE MADE FOR WINES WITH VARIETAL CORRECTNESS AND REMARKABLE BALANCE AND PRECISION. DARK COLOR AND A SOLID STRUCTURAL FRAMEWORK PROVIDE THE FOUNDATION FOR A WINE THAT SHOWS THE FULL SPECTRUM OF THIS NOBLE VARIETY: BAY LEAF, BLACKBERRY, GRAPHITE, OOLONG, AND FRESH RED CHERRY ARE JUST A FEW OF THE DESCRIPTORS THAT COME TO MIND. TWENTY-TWO MONTHS OF BARREL AGING HELPED TO ROUND THE TANNINS, AND BOTTLING WITHOUT FILTRATION OR FINING ENSURE THAT THE TRUE EXPRESSION OF THE VINEYARD AND VARIETAL IS WHAT LANDS IN THE GLASS. THIS WINE SHOULD AGE IN BOTTLE FOR EASILY TWO DECADES OR MORE.

100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON


LISA PEROTTI-BROWN - 98 POINTS
ANTONIO GALLONI/VINOUS- 97 POINTS
JAMES SUCKLING - 97 POINTS
JEB DUNNUCK - 96+ POINTS
ADDITIONAL REVIEWS PENDING



COOMBSVILLE AVA

DISTINGUISHED BY ITS SLIGHTLY COOLER CLIMATE, BY ABOUT 9°F (5°C), THE “CUP AND SAUCER” FORMATION AND SOIL CONDITIONS, WHICH ARE A MIX OF WELL-DRAINING RIVER ROCK AND MINERAL-RICH VOLCANIC ASH FROM MOUNT GEORGE, COOMBSVILLE IS RECOGNIZED AS AN UP AND COMING, YET EXTREMELY HISTORIC GROWING REGION IN NAPA VALLEY.

TO ELABORATE, THE “CUP AND SAUCER” IS A BOWL-SHAPED DEPRESSION CAUSED BY A CALDERA OR COLLAPSED VOLCANIC VENT, CRADLED BY A CRESCENT-SHAPED SECTION OF THE FOOTHILLS OF THE SOUTHERNMOST TIP OF THE VACA RANGE.

A black and white photograph of a vineyard. The foreground is filled with rows of grapevines. In the background, a large, leafy tree stands prominently on the right side, with other smaller trees scattered across the horizon. The sky is a uniform, light grey, suggesting an overcast day. The overall mood is serene and natural.

METEOR VINEYARD IS LOCATED IN THE HEART OF COOMBSVILLE, ON A BEAUTIFUL PLATEAU IN THE FOOTHILLS OF MT. GEORGE. IT IS PLANTED TO SEVERAL CLONAL AND ROOTSTOCK COMBINATIONS OF CABERNET SAUVIGNON, WHICH PRODUCE WINES OF GREAT STRUCTURE AND BACKBONE, AS IT IS COMPRISED OF WELL-DRAINING SOILS RIDDLED WITH ROUNDED VOLCANIC ASH COBBLES, FORMED BY HEAT AND PRESSURE.

THE RABBIT HOLE VINEYARD IS A HIGHLIGHT ON OUR QUEST FOR THE BEST ROCKY HILLSIDE VINEYARDS, WITH EASTERN EXPOSURE IN COOMBSVILLE. LOCATED ON THE RIM OF THE "CUP" AND NOTABLE FOR ITS INCREDIBLY STEEP SLOPE, THIS VINEYARD IS CERTIFIED ORGANICALLY FARMED AND TIGHTLY SPACED, PRODUCING CABERNET SAUVIGNON OF PROFOUND INTENSITY.

LA COLLINETTA VINEYARD IS A STONE'S THROW FROM OUR FAVIA WINERY, AND JUST SOUTH OF THE RABBIT HOLE. WITH NORTHERN EXPOSURE ON A VERY ROCKY SITE, OUR BLOCK PRODUCES TINY BERRIES AND HIGHLY STRUCTURED AND AROMATIC WINES. CERTIFIED ORGANICALLY FARMED, IT TEETERS ON THE SOUTHERNMOST EDGE OF THE RIDGE LINE, FULLY EMBRACED BY THE HALLMARKS OF COOMBSVILLE.

FAVIA CABERNET SAUVIGNON OAKVILLE

HAILING FROM HIGH ON THE PLATEAU THAT IS OAKVILLE RANCH, OUR CABERNET SAUVIGNON FROM OAKVILLE IS PRODUCED FROM SELECT BLOCKS AS RICH AND COMPLEX AS THE SOILS FROM WHICH IT GROWS. THESE RED, IRON RICH SOILS PRODUCE WINES OF GREAT STATURE AND PROFOUND COMPLEXITY, WINES THAT HAVE A SIGNATURE AND PERSONALITY ALL THEIR OWN. IT IS ALWAYS A DEEP, STRUCTURED, AND COMPLEX WINE – REGAL AND STATUESQUE.





2019 FAVIA CABERNET SAUVIGNON OAKVILLE

IT MAKES PERFECT SENSE THAT OAKVILLE HAS BECOME THE MOST HERALDED SLICE OF THE NAPA VALLEY (THE “TENDERLOIN,” AS ROBERT PARKER HAS CALLED IT). OUR BLOCKS AT OAKVILLE RANCH—HIGH ABOVE THE EASTERN EDGE OF THE VALLEY, ORGANICALLY FARMED ON RED, ROCKY, IRON-RICH SOILS—HAVE PRODUCED SOME OF THE MOST COMPELLING WINES IN THE AREA FOR MANY YEARS. IT IS THESE RED HILLSIDES THAT CONTINUE TO ASTOUND US YEAR AFTER YEAR, THE WINES HAVING SUCH POWER, INTENSITY, AND STRENGTH OF CHARACTER.

THIS PURE CABERNET SAUVIGNON WINE WAS CAREFULLY FERMENTED AND ON THE SKINS FOR TWENTY-PLUS DAYS, GENTLY PRESSED AND PUT STRAIGHT TO BARREL FOR MALO-LACTIC FERMENTATION. AGED IN 50% FRENCH OAK BARRELS FOR 22 MONTHS, WITH MINIMAL RACKING AND WITHOUT FINING OR FILTRATION. WE FEEL THIS HANDS-OFF APPROACH TO THE ELEVAGE IS THE BEST WAY TO BRING FOCUS TO THE VINEYARD. AS ALWAYS, THIS WINE SHOWS DARK, BROODING NOTES OF BLACKBERRY, CASSIS, AND SUN-DRENCHED SOIL, ALONG WITH DELICATE NOTES OF BAKING SPICES AND BAY LAUREL. ON THE PALATE, THE ENTRY IS NARROW AND PRECISE, THEN ALMOST IMMEDIATELY THE IMPRESSION EXPANDS AND BECOMES MOUTH-FILLING AND RICH, LEADING TO A LONG, POWERFUL FINISH. THE TANNINS ARE SLEEK BUT MUSCULAR, INDICATING A LONG LIFE AHEAD IN THE CELLAR.

100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON

JAMES SUCKLING – 99 POINTS
JEB DUNNUCK – 99 POINTS
ANTONIO GALLONI/VINOUS– 98 POINTS
LISA PEROTTI-BROWN – 97 POINTS
ADDITIONAL REVIEWS PENDING

OAKVILLE RANCH

LOCATED IN THE SWEET SPOT OF OAKVILLE ON THE EASTERN SIDE OF THE VACA RANGE, HALFWAY UP THE NAPA VALLEY AMONGST THE MOST PRIZED GEOLOGY, THIS VINEYARD IS RENOWNED FOR CLASSICALLY POWERFUL CABERNET SAUVIGNON.

PERCHED ON THE TOP OF THE HILL IN A TINY VALLEY, WITH GENTLE EAST AND NORTHEAST SLOPES, IT GARNERS ALL THE BENEFITS OF THE VOLCANIC SOILS, WITHOUT THE INTENSITY OF THE WESTERN EXPOSURES DOMINANT ON THE EASTERN SLOPES OF OAKVILLE.



CERTIFIED, ORGANICALLY FARMED AT HIGH ELEVATION, THE INTENSE RED ROCKY IRON-RICH SOILS PRODUCE CLASSIC CABERNET SAUVIGNON FOR WHICH OAKVILLE IS LAUDED.





THANK YOU FOR BEING PART OF OUR SUCCESS AND
SHARING OUR STORY WITH THE WORLD AT LARGE!