

CORLEY FAMILY NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE 1998

CORLEY RESERVE

Cabernet Jauvignon

Small winery; Big reputation. The CORLEY FAMILY grows and produces 15,000 cases of exclusively Napa Valley wines designated as MONTICELLO VINEYARDS, CORLEY RESERVE and our CORLEY Proprietary Red Wine. We grow Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Chardonnay and Pinot Noir on the five small vineyard sites in the Oak Knoll, Yountville, Rutherford and St. Helena appellations of Napa Valley.

Tasting Notes

Our Vintage 1998 CORLEY RESERVE Cabernet Sauvignon has fragrant aromas of rich bright black-fruits and lavender that are followed by superbly extracted black-cherry flavors that are nicely touched by new oak and elegantly presented in a full-bodied wine. The wine finishes with strong notes of chocolate, spice and cassis.

Vineyard Locations

Tietjen Vineyard on Niebaum Lane - Rutherford, Napa Valley

This 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ acre vineyard on Niebaum Lane is a consistent favorite. The Cabernet Sauvignon from this vineyard shows a great core of berry fruit with tremendous brightness. It also adds an elegance and suppleness to the texture of the wine.

Ehlers Lane Vineyard - St. Helena, Napa Valley

This small vineyard on Ehlers Lane was planted in the early 1970's and produces cabernet sauvignon of great power and intensity that gives black-fruit character and rich texture to the wine.

Home Ranch Vineyard - Oak Knoll District, Napa Valley

The Merlot in the wine comes from block IV on our 'Home Ranch' Vineyard. The Merlot offers gorgeous blueberry and red berry flavors and aromatics. The bright fruit is accompanied by a suppleness that shows in the mouth-feel of the final wine.

Cuvee	90% Cabernet Sauvignon and 10% Merlot
Harvest Dates / Brix	October 17 - 22, 1998 at an average 23.8 Brix
Vintage	The 1998 vintage is characterized by its challenging weather conditions. However, the lower yields increased the juice to skin ratio and led to greater extraction and concentration of fruit flavors, color and intensity.
Barrel Aging	24 Months French Oak
Alcohol	13.8%