



# *Jefferson Cuvee Cabernet Sauvignon*

ESTATE GROWN IN THE NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE 2006

## TASTING NOTES

Our Vintage 2006 MONTICELLO VINEYARDS Jefferson Cuvee Cabernet Sauvignon is very nicely textured with just a slight grip of tannins on the finish which will soften after a year or two in the bottle. The fruit component is dark - black berry fruits and cigar box aromas with dark bittersweet chocolate flavors.

If you like your Cabs 'big' this wine is ready to drink now. The Cabernet Sauvignon is from our Tietjen and State Lane Vineyards, which produce the big concentrated Cabs that we love. For this Jefferson Cuvee, we blended in some of the excellent Merlot that we grow on our Knollwood Vineyard.

If you like them a little tamer, this wine will drink well through December 21, 2012.

- Chris Corley, Winemaker

## VINEYARDS, VINTAGE AND VINIFICATION

Cabernet Sauvignon	State Lane Vineyard - Yountville, Napa Valley
Cabernet Sauvignon	Tietjen Vineyard on Niebaum Lane - Rutherford, Napa Valley
Merlot	Knollwood Vineyard - Oak Knoll District, Napa Valley
Cuvee	75% Cabernet Sauvignon / 25% Merlot

Oak - 22 Months in French Oak, 30% New

Alcohol - 14.2%

## VINTAGE

2006 was another great year for our Cabernet Sauvignon, much like the preceding vintage, 2005. Due to the moderate weather late in the season, we were able to let the grapes just hang on the vines and continue to develop, without worrying about the sugars increasing. It's a great situation that doesn't happen every year. I think it allowed us to naturally achieve some great flavors in the vineyard.

**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, Pinot Noir and Syrah on five small vineyard sites in the Oak Knoll, Yountville, Rutherford and St. Helena appellations of Napa Valley.