



CONN CREEK  
N A P A V A L L E Y

## 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon Surber Vineyard, Calistoga

"NAPA" IS A NATIVE AMERICAN WORD FOR PLENTY, AND THERE COULD NOT BE A MORE APPROPRIATE WORD WHEN IT COMES TO THE COMPLEXITY AND FLAVOR OF CONN CREEK WINES. WE ACHIEVE THIS BY SOURCING FROM PRIZED VINEYARDS IN NEARLY ALL OF NAPA VALLEY'S RENOWNED SUB-APPELLATIONS. WHILE EACH AVA CONTRIBUTES DIFFERENT CHARACTERISTICS TO THE MASTER BLENDS, THEY ALSO REVEAL A CERTAIN BEAUTY ON THEIR OWN. EACH YEAR, WE SHOWCASE THE MOST DISTINCTIVE APPELLATION WINES AS PART OF OUR LIMITED-PRODUCTION AVA CABERNET SAUVIGNON SERIES.

### [TASTING NOTES]

"A savory mix of black and red fruits. Cassis rose petal and cedar with underlying vanilla. This wine has an intense, rich tannin profile and should age very nicely."

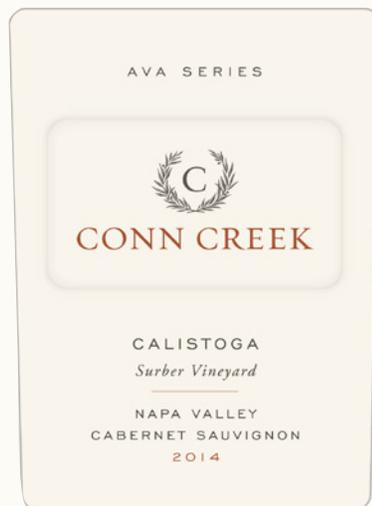
— Elizabeth DeLouise-Gant, Winemaker

### [VINEYARDS & VINTAGE]

- 2014 was the earliest vintage in many years. Spring arrived early and kick-started vine growth resulting in an advanced harvest timetable. Moderate to warm temperatures throughout the growing season encouraged steady, even ripening and permitted picking at the peak of flavor development.
- Surber Vineyard is situated near the Palisades, northeast of Calistoga. The sandy soils slope northwest toward the mouth of Jericho Canyon. The adjacent mountains encourage daytime breezes which mitigate the typical warmth of the northern valley and promote a longer growing season.

### [WINEMAKING]

- Hand harvested fruit was gently destemmed to retain 80% whole berries.
- A combination of gentle pump-overs and careful racking at critical intervals balanced extraction of ripe tannins and preservation of fresh fruit flavors. Pressed at dryness with malolactic fermentation completed in barrels.
- 19 months of barrel aging took place in 82% new French oak.



### BLEND:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

### BARREL AGING:

19 months, French oak (82% new)

### ALCOHOL:

14.5%

### TOTAL ACIDITY:

0.61 g/100mL

### PH:

3.58

### CASES PRODUCED:

250

ELIZABETH DELOUISE-GANT, WINEMAKER