



## MONTICELLO VINEYARDS

### CORLEY RESERVE

# *Cabernet Sauvignon*

ESTATE GROWN IN THE NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE 2007

#### TASTING NOTES

This wine is showing expressing beautiful aromas of dark berries, mocha and vanilla. The wine is deftly balanced. The tannins are exerting a velvet grip on the wine, and the core of the wine is chewy with dark fruit, chocolate and coffee accents, and a rich balanced texture that carries through to the finish. Drink Now through 2020. Decanting Recommended (30-60 minutes).

- Chris Corley, Winemaker

#### VINEYARDS, VINTAGE AND VINIFICATION

**Tietjen Vineyard** Niebaum Lane - *Rutherford, Napa Valley (42%)*

The Cabernet Sauvignon from this vineyard is classic Rutherford, "Elegance in a Glass".

**State Lane Vineyard** Yountville, *Napa Valley (36%)*

This Cabernet Sauvignon shows a great core of deep, dark black fruits with big, rich, chewy tannins - Blockbuster Napa Cabernet Sauvignon.

**Yewell Vineyard** Ehlers Lane - *St Helena, Napa Valley (18%)*

The Cabernet Sauvignon from this vineyard is of great depth, character, and intensity and gives our wine a deep black-fruit character and rich texture.

**Knollwood Vineyard** Oak Knoll District, *Napa Valley (4%)*

The merlot is lush and power packed with intense berry flavors and an abundance of bright fruit.

Oak - 22 Months in French Oak, 50% New

Alcohol - 14.2%

#### VINTAGE

2007 was a vintage of contrasts: contrasts from previous vintages, and contrasts from early predictions to final outcome. Cold start to the year leading into a warm (but not hot), relaxed summer season with a burst of heat in September before some October rains. We harvested all of our Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot in September with relatively modest cluster weights, smallish berries and fully flavored.

**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.