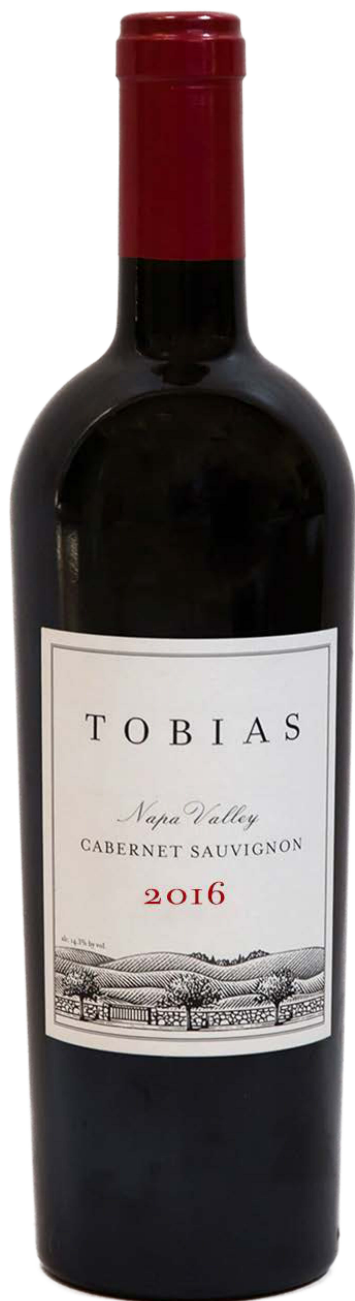


# T O B I A S

*Napa Valley*



2016

## TOBIAS VINEYARDS

### Cabernet Sauvignon

#### Vintage Notes

With a near perfect season, the vines started moderately early in 2016 and continued to enjoy ideal weather conditions in the spring, throughout the summer and fall. Cooler temperatures in August, both night-time and day-time, provided an extended hang time, allowing the fruit to reach peak ripeness and vineyard expression - perfect for inky, complex wines. Harvest allowed us the luxury of picking block by block for optimal ripeness with our last pick October 13th before dawn. Fermentation was finishing just as the winter rains began to nourish and replenish our sloped hillside soils.

#### Winemaker Notes

A true Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, Toby (Tobias) Forman crafts an exceptional wine from a convergence and depth of knowledge. In the vineyard, an agronomy master, and in the cellar, wine-making teachings handed down from his father Ric Forman, culminate in his own elegant, muscular expressive style of wine-making. With a rich dark color, notes of cassis, cherry, anise, cocoa, and vanilla swirl from the glass. On the palate, the complexities continue as firm tannins wrap around a core of bold berry fruit leaving you with a smooth velvety mouth feel. Beautiful as a stand alone wine or perfectly paired with grilled steak or game.

**Varietal:** 100% Cabernet Sauvignon

**Production:** 400 cases

**Appellations:** 50% Howell Mountain 'Pauli Vineyard', 50% Rutherford

**Barrel Aging:** Two years in French Oak, 50% new and 50% second year barrels

**Alcohol:** 14.3%

**Retail Price:** \$150

