



**GREYSCALE**  
WINES

2014

**RUTHERFORD**

CABERNET SAUVIGNON

TASTING NOTES

The wine has a dark red color with inky purplish hue. An earthy complex nose with sweet oak, dried herb, black berries, black cherry, blackcurrant, and a touch of white pepper. On the palate, the wine is well-balanced with a silky and cohesive taste of black fruit including black cherry and blackcurrant with polished tannins and a trace of fennel in its long finish.

BLEND

92% Cabernet Sauvignon  
(Rutherford)  
6% Merlot, 2% Petit Verdot

WINEMAKING NOTES

This Rutherford vineyard is known for producing wines with elegant and silky fruit rather than powerful, blockbuster flavors. The 2014 vintage displays sweet black cherry and blackcurrent fruit intertwined with a dusty soil note, which some refer to as "Rutherford Dust." Merlot was added to support the mid-palette and Petit Verdot was added to enhance the fruit intensity on the finish. The wine aged for 23 months in French Oak barrels, 60% new oak (Vicard, Sylvain); 40% once-used. The blending took place in August 2016.

BOTTLING

Date: August 25, 2016  
Alcohol: 14.7%  
pH 3.71, Total Acidity 6.2g/L  
Cases Produced: 125

Released: October, 2017

VINEYARD NOTES

2014 is the third year Greyscale Wines produced a single vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon. We used fruit from a famed vineyard in Rutherford, located between Conn Creek Road and the Silverado Trail. The parcel was first planted in 1895 by Mrs. Thomas Rutherford and, over the years, has provided grapes for many prominent Napa Valley Cabernets. The vines are over 25 years old. The root stock is grafted with Clone 4 grapes that have a strong flavor intensity with very good color, aromas, and palette balance.

The vineyard's proximity to Conn Creek and the well-draining soils of the old creek bed combine with spectacular, western exposure to produce wines of richness and pedigree. It is also known for distinctive terroir characteristics of dusty, loamy soil notes.

**Cabernet Sauvignon**

*Rutherford AVA*

Harvest Date: 9/19/2014

Brix: 28.5, TA: 3.4

pH: 3.79



**ABOUT GREYSCALE WINES**

"Making wine is living our dream."

Growing up with a family vineyard, avidly collecting wines for years,

wine tasting in Bordeaux, and developing a curiosity about winemaking inspired us to create our own wine. Our goal is to produce small-lots of premium Napa Valley wines from the most prestigious vineyards in the valley.

*Jean & Larry Rowe*  
Proprietors

**ABOUT THE WINEMAKER  
KIAN TAVAKOLI**

With over 25 years of winemaking, operations and viticultural experience, Kian Tavakoli brings a stellar combination of sensory and production skills to Greyscale Wines. Having graduated with a degree in enology from UC Davis in 1992, Kian spent 4 years learning cabernet wine-making at Opus One before he became winemaker at Clos Du Val where he ran their red wine program including the highly acclaimed reserve bottlings. Kian's passion for Bordeaux style wines is the perfect complement to our Greyscale family wine philosophy. We are pleased that he has been our only winemaker since we started in 2008.



*"Wine is neither black nor white. It's always shades of grey"*

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