

# CATERWAUL

## 2024 REGUSCI VINEYARD STAGS LEAP DISTRICT NAPA VALLEY CABERNET SAUVIGNON

### NOTES

After more than a decade of producing our Regusci Vineyard Cabernet Sauvignon, certain vintages still serve as a reminder that exceptional sites have a way of amplifying exceptional years. When great dirt, thoughtful farming, and a restrained hand in the cellar come together, the vineyard gets to shine. A brooding expression of the characteristically red-fruited clone 337, this Cabernet hints at its concentration and delivers in spades. Layers of black currant, sanguine meat, sandalwood, and warm iron rise from the glass. A core of crushed slate, finely textured tannins frames a supple palate of blueberry, aged tobacco, dried herbs, and a touch of cocoa nib. The finish is long, persistent, and remarkably energetic. Rather than drying the palate, the wine's firm yet polished tannins create a mouthwatering tension that lingers long after each sip, inviting the next.

### VINTAGE

Following the recent pattern of above average rainfall and a cooler start to the growing season, 2024 mirrored the previous vintage until the end of September. A late, intense heat spell proved to be the finishing touch on a great vintage by providing an event that concentrated flavor within the grapes. Rewarding an extra dimension to those who were patient, the wines found another gear in intensity and brooding tannin. Tasting through the fermentations during harvest, the consistency of quality from one vineyard or tank to the next left little doubt about the character of the vintage.

### PARTNERSHIP

A partnership between Matt Hardin and Thomas Brown was formed during the 2014 vintage after countless years of working together. Out of that friendship the idea of utilizing the strengths of one another gave birth to Caterwaul wines. Matt Hardin, a 6th generation Pope Valley resident and farmer, is owner of Hardin Vineyard Management, one of the most renowned vineyard management companies in Northern California as well as his own Matthew Wallace Wines. Thomas Rivers Brown, marking his 31st harvest in Napa, continues to craft benchmark wines for regions and varieties grown throughout Northern California for longtime partners and intrepid new projects.



### APPELLATION:

*Stags Leap District Napa Valley*

### VARIETAL:

*Cabernet Sauvignon*

### BARREL AGING:

*100% French Oak, 85% New,  
21 Months in barrel*

### ALCOHOL:

*14.9%*

### TOTAL PRODUCTION:

*158 Cases*