

# GRGICH HILLS



1999

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON

*Yountville Selection*

*Napa Valley*

**F**rom another superlative vintage, the grapes for this pure Cabernet Sauvignon were chosen from 50-year-old vines in a premium block of our Yountville vineyard. This Yountville Selection epitomizes the best of Cabernet Sauvignon, which at its peak combines depth, complexity, and power like no other wine. The 1999 Yountville Selection is rich yet elegant, concentrated yet balanced, structured but smooth. Cassis and cedar lead off the bouquet, followed by undertones of violets and blackberries. On the palate black currants and black cherries dominate the full-bodied mouthfeel, complemented by flavors of cola and espresso. The finish is long and sustained, with a core of concentrated fruit.

Thirty-two months of aging in new French oak provides a spice and cedar component to counterbalance the rich fruit and give the wine further complexity. As always, we bottle age our wines – for more than two years in this case – to integrate the fruit and oak aging until the wine is supple, seamless, and deliciously smooth. Accessible now, the 1999 Yountville Selection will continue to improve for at least fifteen years.

### Winemaker's Notes

Alcohol .....	13.5 % by volume
Fermentation .....	stainless steel
Harvest date .....	October 2, 1999
Sugar .....	24.1° Brix
Bottling date .....	June 2002
Release date .....	January 1, 2005
Residual sugar .....	none
Total acid .....	6.4 g/L
pH .....	3.48
Time in oak .....	32 months
Type of oak .....	100% new French
Case production .....	286
Blend .....	100% Cab. Sauvignon

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