## **ELIZABETH SPENCER WINES**

Elizabeth Pressler and Spencer Graham are a husband-wife team who have been making wine together since 1998. Sourcing fruit from a handful of dedicated growers and a dozen vineyard blocks both Elizabeth and Spencer carefully monitor the annual growing cycle and fruit development through to harvest. "Our growers provide us with continuity of high-quality fruit, and we pay them fairly and reliably, in vintages of scarcity and excess."



In an era of corporate grape contracts, their long-term agreements consist simply of mutual high regard and a handshake. These are wines that capture the soul of California.

Believing that the best wine is made from superior grapes, Elizabeth Spencer makes Cabernet Sauvignon from select vineyards in the Napa Valley. The Pinot Noir and Chardonnay come from the Sonoma Coast appellation. Vinifying wine in small individual lots, in 2005, they produced very small quantities of Mendocino Sauvignon Blanc from CCOF Organically Certified vineyards and a carbon neutral winery. Made to be accessible in youth, their wines display ample fruit and are well-balanced from the first impression through to the finish.

Norma Gibson, the grower of our Sauvignon Blanc from Mendocino County. First planted in late 1970's, the vineyard sits on Talmadge Bench just east of Ukiah. A portion of the vineyard is dedicated to free-standing, head-pruned vines and the rest if planted in classic vine rows with an overhead trellis system. This vineyard has been farmed organically since 2001. Our back label carries the official CCOF seal which is the guarantee to our customers that the grapes were grown to the exacting standards set forward by the National Organic Program.

## CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Proprietor Blended SPECIAL CUVÉE

Elizabeth Spencer

CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA WALLEY Vintage 2016

164 barrels Cellared & Bottled by Elizabeth Spencer Winery

Varietal/Blend: Cabernet Sauvignon

Farming: sustainable

Years Vines Planted: varied

Soil: granite & loam

Yeast: native

**Fermentation**: cold soak, open-top fermentation **Aging**: 24 months in a selection French oak barrels

Alcohol: 14.7%

Fined: no

Filtered: no

Country: United States

Region: California Sub Region: Napa

Vineyards: Rutherford, Oak Knoll, Calistoga,

Coombsville, and Atlas Peak

"Rich in color and flavor, right out of the gate. This wine presents a deeply saturated, garnet hue in the glass, with aromas of cassis and cigar box, and notes of dried cherries on the nose. A balanced, velvety palate showcases Ripe Satsuma plum on the entry and finishes with Bing cherry and dusty Dutch cocoa. Natural acidity lends a youthful brightness enhancing its drink now appeal, while simultaneously structuring the wine for graceful ageability."