



CONN CREEK  
N A P A V A L L E Y

## 2014 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon Spring Mountain District, Crowley Vineyard

“NAPA” IS A NATIVE AMERICAN WORD FOR PLENTY, AND THERE COULD NOT BE A MORE APPROPRIATE WORD WHEN IT COMES TO THE COMPLEXITY AND FLAVOR OF CONN CREEK WINES. WE ACHIEVE THIS BY SOURCING FROM PRIZED VINEYARDS IN NEARLY ALL OF NAPA VALLEY’S RENOWNED SUB-APPELLATIONS. WHILE EACH AVA CONTRIBUTES DIFFERENT CHARACTERISTICS TO THE MASTER BLENDS, THEY ALSO REVEAL A CERTAIN BEAUTY ON THEIR OWN. EACH YEAR, WE SHOWCASE SOME OF THE MOST DISTINCTIVE APPELLATION WINES AS PART OF OUR LIMITED-PRODUCTION AVA CABERNET SAUVIGNON SERIES.

### [ TASTING NOTES ]

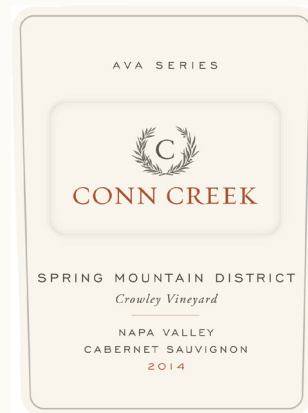
“Mulberries and red plums with savory dried herbs and touch of earth. Fine grained tannins frame the flavors to finish with pleasing finesse.” – Mike McGrath, Winemaker

### [ VINEYARDS & VINTAGE ]

- 2014 was the earliest vintage in many years. Spring arrived early and kick-started vine growth resulting in an advanced harvest timetable. Moderate to warm temperatures throughout the growing season encouraged steady, even ripening and permitted picking at the peak of flavor development.
- Joan Crowley’s vineyard is perched high above the Valley on the ridgeline at the extreme western edge of Napa County. The vineyard sits in a saddle that subtly changes the aspect and exposure as the rows run from south to north. Biodynamic principles guide the farming.

### [ WINEMAKING ]

- Hand harvested fruit was gently destemmed to retain 75% whole berries.
- A combination of gentle pump-overs and delestage at critical intervals balanced extraction of ripe tannins and preservation of fresh fruit flavors. Pressed at dryness with malolactic fermentation completed in barrels.
- 20 months of barrel aging took place in 50% new French oak.



### BLEND:

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

### ALCOHOL:

14.5%

### TOTAL ACIDITY:

5.9 g/100mL

### PH:

3.68

### CASE PRODUCTION:

225

*Michael McGrath*

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