



## 2003 Robert Craig

### *Affinity*

Napa Valley • Cabernet Sauvignon  
Bordeaux-Style Blend

*Blend:* 83% Cabernet Sauvignon, 15% Merlot, 1% Cabernet Franc, 1% Petit Verdot  
*Total Production:* 3660 cases

#### Winemaker Notes

The 2003 vintage has given us a powerful, intense Affinity that is expressive of its Napa Valley foothills origins. Great depth and complexity are hallmarks of this Bordeaux-style Cabernet Sauvignon blend, presenting concentrated fruit, a silky texture, and full tannin structure for long-term aging.

#### Vineyard Sources

The prime Cabernet source is Robert Craig's estate vineyard and an adjoining property to the south of the Stag's Leap district, in the southeastern foothills. This cool-climate area, known as Tulocay, produces a Cabernet Sauvignon that is similar to the Bordeaux-region of France – yet is very unique in its own right. Additional Cabernet comes from the warmer hillsides near St. Helena, which contribute added structure and complexity.

#### Tasting Notes

*Aroma:* Full, ripe black cherry, blackberry and currant bouquet, with black tea and a hint of spice. Offers the promise of deep fruit and further complexity. *Flavors:* Forward, abundant cherry, leading into deep black fruit and cassis that sets the stage for tremendous depth as the flavors develop in the glass. *Finish:* Opens up on the finish with classic, long-lived Napa Valley black fruit, tea and cocoa. *General:* A rich, multi-layered Cabernet that balances power with finesse.

#### Wine Information

*Winemaker:* Chad Alexander

*Harvest dates:* September 28 – October 25

*Average sugar:* 25.2 Brix

*TA:* .60

*pH:* 3.62

*Alcohol:* 14.6%

*Barrel Aging:* 20 months in French oak

*Bottling Date:* July 2005

*Price:* California suggested retail price is \$40.00 per bottle.

*Release date:* April 2006