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## KEEVER VINEYARDS

### 2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON, NAPA VALLEY

#### TASTING NOTES

The story of the vintage becomes a story of a wine. The 2017 Kever Cabernet Sauvignon shows abundant aromatic intensity (in part due to a cooler June and July) with perhaps just a touch more concentrated ripe red cherry fruit due to the warm August. The aromas of course also show the touch of sweet anise, tobacco, and spiced plum so typical to the Yountville region. At entry, the palate is broad, then gains power as the fruit flavors lift. With a well-experienced nod to our house preferences, the tannins are silky/velvety now, and will further resolve if given the opportunity to age for an additional decade or more. – Celia Welch, August 2020

#### TECHNICAL DATA

VINTNERS	Bill & Olga Kever
WINEMAKER	Celia Welch
VARIETAL	100% Cabernet Sauvignon
APPELLATION	Napa Valley
PRODUCTION	717 Cases
ALCOHOL	14.8%
COOPERAGE	French Oak barrels (57% new)



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#### BACKGROUND

Kever Vineyards is a small family owned and operated winery in Yountville, in the Napa Valley. And when we say family owned and operated, we mean it. On any given day there are between two and four Kevers on site. During fruit processing, we get aunts and uncles in too. Dad, Bill Kever, does a lot of everything from washing barrels to wine deliveries. Mom, Olga Kever, runs the office, works with distributors, and ensures all our compliance obligations are met. Son, Jason specializes in production. Daughter, Ashley Kever is the Director of Hospitality and Liz Wilkens is the creator and Director of the Kever Vineyards Wine Society. Ashley and Liz host visitors who come to taste our wines and tour the winery and cave. Their true titles should be Directors of Charisma.

Winemaker Celia Welch calls the shots, and Jason makes sure everything gets done in a manner that ensures the highest quality and that no details, however small, are overlooked.

Our first vintage was 2002 when we made 46 cases. A few years later, the Kever brand had achieved some moderate recognition, and based on that we decided to build our winery and dig our cave. Kever Vineyards currently produces around 2,000 cases annually.