

## 2012 AUDAX Cabernet Sauvignon

Grapes: 89.3% Cabernet Sauvignon; 6.5% Petit Verdot; 4.1% Merlot;

0.1% Malbec

Appellation: 100% Napa Valley

Barrel aging: 26 months in 55% new French oak

Alcohol: 15.3% pH: 3.67 TA: 6.4g/L RS: 0.8g/L

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Production: 7,680 bottles
Price: SRP \$120
Released: February 2016

## Winemaker's Notes:

Dark garnet with purple-ruby rim, the nose is exultantly scented, effusing cassis and dried cherry for fruits, complemented by spice box, cedarwood, camphor, graphite and lavender. Buttressed by succulent acidity and meaty tannins, the palate is alluringly opulent, emanating prune and blackberry confit for fruits, supplemented by black pepper, dark chocolate, caffè ristretto, tobacco and tar. Full-bodied at 14.8%, the impressive entry persists through an expansive midpalate, leading to a potent finish.

<sup>\*</sup> AUDAX, meaning "bold" in Latin, is Calla Lily's barrel-selection reserve wine made as a tribute to the pioneers of Napa Valley, many of whom settled in Pope Valley, by our fourthgeneration winemaker Cary Gott.