

“Give me a place to stand, and I will move the Earth.”

– ARCHIMEDES

#### 2017 ARCHIMEDES

Considered one of the greatest mathematical minds of all time, Archimedes of ancient Greece was also a physicist, astronomer, engineer, and inventor. The lever, compound pulley, and hydraulic screw are among his many inventions. As legend has it, Archimedes defeated the Roman army at sea by creating enormous reflective devices which harnessed the sun's rays to ignite and burn their ships. The painting reproduced on our label memorializes this amazing moment in history. Having admired this great innovator, Francis Ford Coppola's grandfather Augusto named his first son Archimedes. With this wine we pay homage to Uncle Archimedes, a man who loved math and mechanics as much as his namesake.

#### ALEXANDER VALLEY

Alexander Valley experiences a unique climate where warm days transition into cool evenings thanks to coastal fog that rolls into the valley each day. The appellation is also defined by its soil variety, which helps promote greater flavor diversity. Red volcanic soils with high shale content dominate the eastern hillsides. Alluvial gravel fans are found on the valley floor, and steep slopes in the western region consist of rocky clay loam soil.

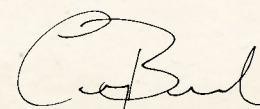
#### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Crafted for the true connoisseur, Archimedes is produced in very limited quantities from the vintage's most impressive lots of Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2017 growing season began with a good deal of precipitation, but after a mild spring, temperatures increased and remained warm throughout summer and fall. The vintage's smaller than average clusters resulted in high quality fruit and excellent concentration. To match the fruit's intensity, the 2017 Archimedes was aged for a year and a half in French oak barrels with a large portion of new wood. The final result is a beautifully integrated wine.

#### TASTING NOTES

Dark and dramatic, with a lush, velvety texture framed by chewy tannins, this year's vintage features sweeter spice notes and less earthiness than its predecessor. Scents of black raspberries, cassis, clove, gingerbread, and toasted woods are followed by juicy flavors of plums, boysenberries, and star anise. A touch of minerals emerges on the finish adding to the complexity of this stunning and sophisticated wine.

APPELLATION: ALEXANDER VALLEY
BLEND: 100% CABERNET SAUVIGNON
ALCOHOL: 14.9%
BARREL REGIMEN: 20 MONTHS IN FRENCH OAK; 50% NEW WOOD
ACID: .62G/100ML      PH: 3.63
CASES PRODUCED: 1,770

  
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