## TEADERMAN VINEYARDS

### CABERNET SAUVIGNON

OAKVILLE

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### T A S T I N G N O T E S

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100% Cabernet Sauvignon

#### V I N E Y A R D

Teaderman Cabernet Sauvignon is a single-vineyard wine sourced from our 14-acre estate in the renowned Oakville region of Napa Valley. The vineyard lies on the valley floor where it enjoys cool morning fog and the riparian influence of nearby Conn Creek. A gravelly streak runs through our property, giving us a diverse mix of gravelly and clay loam soils. The vines are dry-farmed for the first part of the growing season and then drip-irrigated following veraison. We manage our cordon-trained vines block by block, and harvest every row at peak ripeness.

### V I N T A G E

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### WINEMAKING

After we crushed and de-stemmed the fruit, we fermented it in stainless steel tanks and pressed the juice from its skins with a traditional basket press. The wine completed malolactic fermentation in French oak barrels (100% new), where it aged for 24 months, softening tannins and developing rich complexity. After bottling with minimal filtration, the wine was allowed to mature in bottle for another year and a half prior to release.

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## $W \quad I \quad N \quad E \quad M \quad A \quad K \quad I \quad N \quad G$

Gentle crushing and destemming
Fermentation until dry in stainless steel tanks
100% malolactic fermentation in-barrel for roundness on palate
Barrel-aged 24 months in new French oak

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