



CORNERSTONE  
CELLARS • NAPA VALLEY

## 2015 Michael's Cuvee

Founded in 1991 by Michael Dragutsky, Cornerstone Cellars is the quintessential Napa Valley mountain and benchland producer of Cabernet Sauvignon. Our winemaking led by Kari Auringer honors Napa Valley's great heritage by crafting intense, elegant and balanced wines that stand among the very best winegrowing estates in the world. Through intellectual rigor, humility, and with the utmost respect for the land, Cornerstone Cellars aims to make wines that truly speak to its exceptional vineyard sites in the most authentic and genuine way possible.



### 2015 Vintage

After record setting rain in December, followed by the driest January on record, the 2015 vintage started earlier than previous years. The four years of California drought continued to have an effect. Budbreak came early, but a long cool, overcast May slowed everything down a bit. The summer provided moderate temperatures with only a couple of heat spikes, giving us near-ideal growing conditions. Overall the yields were lower, but we are excited about the quality.

### 2015 Tasting Notes

This is our "No Rules" blend. The varietals that make up Michael's Cuvee changes vintage to vintage, giving us the ability to blend only the best barrels that each vintage has to offer. A fun, yet seriously delicious wine, it is no accident the founder's name is on the label.

Effusive and ready to go. Lush aromas of ripe summer berries and black cherries, with a hint of cassis lift out of the glass with each swirl. Sweet juicy fruit on entry and concentrated black berry and cherry on the palate. Perfectly balanced acidity and supple tannins gives you permission to open it now, but patience in the cellar will definitely be rewarded.

### 2015 Winemaking Notes

Vintage:	2015
Appellation:	Napa Valley
Vineyards:	83% Oakville Station 13% Kairos
Varietals:	57% Merlot 26% Cabernet Franc 17% Cabernet Sauvignon
Alcohol:	14.9%
Cooperage:	60% New French oak, 40% neutral French
Production:	175 Cases
Retail:	\$00