

THE ALTRUIST 2023

NAPA VALLEY AVA

WINEMAKER KIMBERLEE NICHOLLS

Crafted from the finest sites in Napa Valley, Merlot provides the juicy, velvety core to this Bordeaux-style blend, framed by Cabernet Sauvignon's weight and power. A dash of Cabernet Franc adds floral aromatics, while Malbec and Petit Verdot round out the palate with juicy boysenberry and radiant color. Delicious and opulent, this wine is redolent of briary strawberry jam, blackberries, sugar plums, milk chocolate and vanilla, all wrapped in a creamy smooth texture.

The Altruist Awards Program honors local heroes who show concern for others, embody giving back as a way of life, and keep our communities strong.

TECHNICAL NOTES

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

85% Merlot, 6% Cabernet Sauvignon,
4% Malbec, 4% Petit Verdot, 1% Cabernet Franc

ALCOHOL

14.6%

ACID | pH

5.7 g/L | 3.60

ESTATE GROWN FRUIT

24%

HARVEST DATE

October 2023

FERMENTATION

100% Stainless Steel
16 Days Skin Contact

AGING

18 Months in Oak Barrels; 31% New

PRODUCTION

8,000 12pk Cases

BOTTLED

Spring 2025

RELEASE DATE

May 2025

PRICING

HARVEST NOTES

- 2023 was the longest growing season on record, with late starts for all growing milestones: bud-break, bloom, fruit set, veraison and harvest. Harvest started a week after Labor Day but went smoothly and finished relatively early.
- Consistent, mild weather throughout the growing season and long hang-times resulted in excellent quality for both reds and whites, with the wines showcasing beautiful flavors, vibrant acidity and excellent balance. An exceptional vintage.

RECENT PRESS

2019: **93pts**
Wine Enthusiast

2019: **92pts**
James Suckling

2018: **93pts**
The Tasting Panel

2018: **92pts**
James Suckling

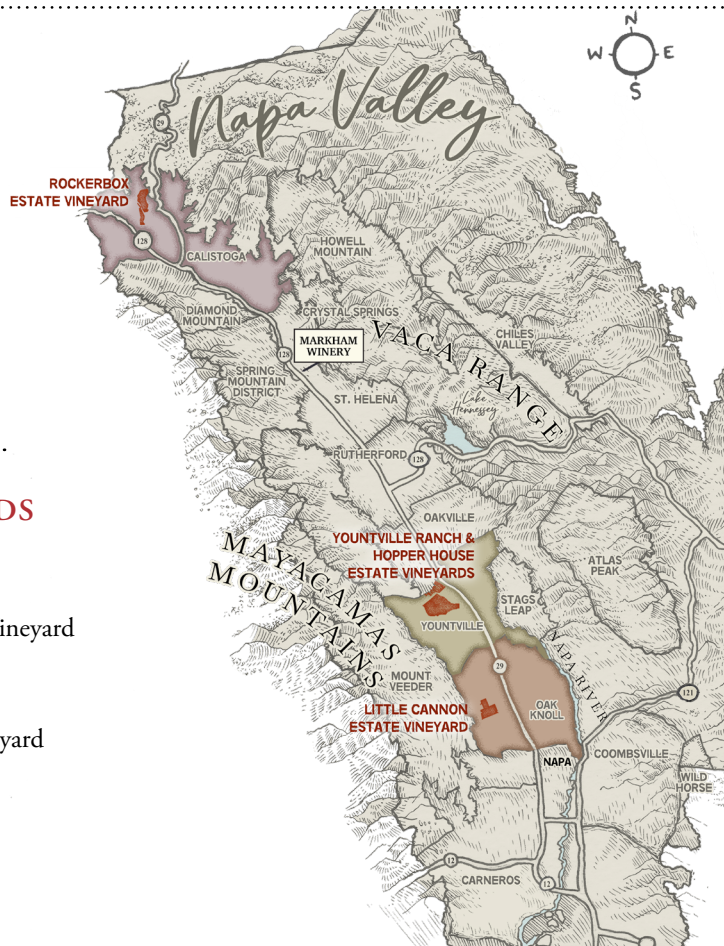
ESTATE VINEYARDS IN THIS RELEASE

YOUNTVILLE

Yountville Ranch Estate Vineyard
Merlot & Malbec

OAK KNOLL DISTRICT

Little Cannon Estate Vineyard
Merlot



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MARKHAM
NAPA VALLEY
VINEYARDS



WOMEN-LED WINEMAKING & VITICULTURE TEAM

We're honored to have Winemaker Kimberlee Nicholls at the helm of the Markham winemaking team. When Kim began her career three decades ago, she was one of the first female winemakers in the Napa Valley. Today, women winemakers in Napa Valley still only represent 12% of the total, and Kim remains among the very few who specialize in Merlot.

Markham's 260 acres of sustainably-farmed estate vineyards and land across Napa Valley allow Kim and the winemaking & viticulture team to showcase the diverse characteristics within this world-class growing region across our entire portfolio.

MARK OF CHARACTER

#1 Producer of Napa Valley Merlot — For more than 40 years, Markham has been dedicated to Bordeaux varietals with an unwavering commitment to Merlot.

Sustainably Made — Our winery and estate vineyards are certified by the *California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance* since July 2022.

Partnering with Purpose — We practice altruism by giving back to non-profit organizations committed to women's equity in the wine, culinary, and hospitality industries.



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