

# SEQUUM

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## 2002 Four Soil Melange, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley

### TASTING NOTES

This deep ruby to garnet colored wine has enticing aromas of dark ripe fruits – plums, black currants, blackberries and black cherries interlaced with notes of licorice, chocolate and violets. The mouth feel is firm and ample, with a bold rounded richness that fills the mouth and has a very long, lingering finish. On the palate the wine is full and concentrated with a recurrence of those explosive dark fruits first encountered upon entry. The sweet ripe fruit flavors are interwoven with smoky and spicy notes and a beautiful balance of oak which gives way to a round and powerful wine.

### WINEGROWING INFORMATION

The 2002 growing season started out on the cool side in March and April and then began to warm up in mid-May. Warm days and cool nights were the norm in late June and this trend continued until harvest in late September.

Our Cabernet Sauvignon grapes were harvested from four distinct Napa Valley vineyards located in four separate appellations from September 20<sup>th</sup> through October 15<sup>th</sup> at an average 24.9 degrees Brix. The appellations are Spring Mountain, Stag's Leap, Rutherford and St. Helena. Each lot was fermented individually, aged in 50% new French oak for 18 months and then blended prior to bottling in June, 2004.

### VINEYARDS

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#### Spring Mountain

- 6 year old vines
- Clone 337 on 1103P rootstock
- Cordon trained and spur pruned to a vertical shoot positioned trellis
- Drip irrigated
- Soil: *Aiken*

*The Aiken soil is volcanic in origin and found in the mountain regions of Napa Valley AVA. The Aiken is a moderately deep, well drained, loam to clay loam soil that displays a bright red-brown color throughout its profile.*

#### Stag's Leap

- 19 year old vines
- See Clone on St. George rootstock
- Cordon trained and spur pruned to a lyre trellis system
- Drip irrigated
- Soil: *Bale*

*The Bale soil is an alluvial soil found on fans and terraces along the Napa River in the valley floor appellations of the Napa Valley AVA. The Bale is a deep, somewhat poorly drained, loam to gravelly sandy loam soil with several gray-brown to brown colored horizons.*

#### Rutherford

- 6 year old vines
- Clone 7 on 101-14 Mgt rootstock
- Cordon trained and spur pruned to V-Trellis with cross arms at 12" & 20"
- Drip irrigated
- Soil: *Bressa*

*The Bressa soil is a residual soil formed from weathered sandstone and found on the side slopes of Napa Valley. The Bressa is a moderately deep, well-drained, silt loam soil with light brown to dark brown colors throughout.*

#### St. Helena

- 30 year old vines
- Faye Clone on St. George rootstock
- Head trained and cane pruned to a two wire vertical trellis
- Drip irrigated
- Soil: *Cortina*

*The Cortina soil is a relatively young alluvial soil found on fans and old flood plains of the Napa River and its tributaries. The Cortina is a deep, excessively drained, stratified, gravelly sandy loam to very gravelly loamy sand soil with light gray brown to olive brown colors.*

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Production: 434 cases (6/750 ml. per case)

Release Date: Late Fall – Winter, 2004