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*Cabernet Sauvignon*  
2012

### BACKGROUND

A powerhouse collaboration between proprietor Gus Kalaris and winemaker Bob Egelhoff. The result - a super premium Cabernet Sauvignon of Napa Valley "cult" status. "Axios", meaning worthy in Greek, reflects Gus' vision to craft a wine of Bordeaux influence that represents the richness of its' Napa Valley origin. Axios has been served at multiple receptions hosted by Presidents Bush and Obama at the White House, as well as, the chosen wine for all events during the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew's historic visit to the States.

### APPELLATION

Napa Valley

### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Cabernet Sauvignon

### TOTAL PRODUCTION

500 cases

### ALCOHOL PERCENTAGE

14.4%

### COOPERAGE/AGING

60 gallon French Oak barrels  
(70% new) for 22 months

"The 2012 is a sexy, dramatic, ostentatious style of Cabernet Sauvignon, with loads of ripe blackberry and blackcurrant fruit, some licorice, graphite and forest floor. It is full-bodied, opulent and sexy. Interestingly, I would have thought the natural alcohol was higher than the 2011, but they were both analyzed and found to have identical alcohol levels of 14.4%. Nevertheless, production in this vintage was average for Axios at just under 500 cases of wine."

**94 Points - Robert Parker**  
*Wine Advocate*

"Plenty of pretty blackberry and black currant character. Medium to full body, firm and silky tannins and a fruity finish."

**92 Points - James Suckling**

