

## AXIOS NAPA VALLEY

## **KALARIS**

*Merlot* 2014

## **BACKGROUND**

The Kalaris label, named after the proprietor Gus Kalaris is th newest addition to our family of wines. Following the success of our Pinot Noir and Chardonnay we have extended the line to include a Merlot coming from our Calistoga Kalaris Family Vineyard. Staying true to the vision of the brand, these wines are hand-crafted, small production and of the highest quality. They are a true reflection of Gus' vision to produce first class wines in a classic old world style but allowing the wine's Nap Valley origin to shine.

APPELLATION Napa Valley

TOTAL PRODUCTION 398 cases

COOPERAGE/AGING

60 gallon French Oak barrels (50% new) for 18 months

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

Merlot 89%

Cabernet Sauvignon 11%

ALCOHOL PERCENTAGE

13.4%

Nice chocolaty notes with black cherry, berry fruit, soft tannins, medium body and a plump, generous mouthfeel. Rain was not an issueand for the third vintage in a row, the quality of the fruitwas outstanding throughout Napa.

International Sommelier Challenge Silver Medal