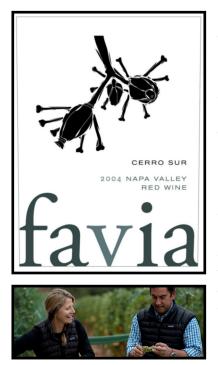
FAVIA NAPA VALLEY



Favia is a collaboration between viticulturist Annie Favia and her husband, winemaker Andy Erickson. Their philosophy is simple: create soulful wines that express the true nature of the vineyards from which they come.

Annie and Andy focus on finding unique vineyard sites with soils, climate and aspects ideal for growing exquisite wine grapes, and develop strong relationships with winegrowers to perfect viticultural practices. In the winery, they carefully coax the grapes into wine. Gentle handling, minimal intervention, and strict monitoring of the wine allow the grapes to speak for themselves.

As a winemaker, Andy Erickson has skimmed the absolute cream of Napa's crop: Screaming Eagle, Dalla Valle, Ovid, Dancing Hares and Arietta. Viticulturist Annie Favia cut her teeth under John Kongsgaard and Cathy Corison before working out in the vineyards with David Abreu for twelve years. Annie has worked with such hallowed ground as the Eisele Vineyard, Bryant Family Vineyards and Madrona Ranch, and been a part of many vineyard development projects using these heritage clonal selections to preserve the rich history of Napa Cabernet.

While Annie and Andy certainly seem to have the Midas Touch when it comes to the "Cult Wines" of Napa Valley, Favia is a true family project and their passion and focus comes through in these elegant wines.

Antonio Galloni says, "Favia and Erickson craft these wines from a handful of sites throughout Napa Valley. They exude tremendous passion and palpable enthusiasm, both of which were on full display when I tasted with them last year, but qualities that were even more evident during the afternoon I spent touring vineyards with Andy Erickson just as the 2012 harvest was about to get started. Favia and Erickson are among the greatest proponents of Cabernet Franc in Napa Valley, and their wines, Cerro Sur in particular, show the extraordinary complexity the grape is capable of."

Robert Parker says, "This small, high quality boutique operation is a joint venture between Annie Favia and winemaker and consultant Andy Erickson. By and large, not a lot of these wines are made, usually under 300 cases. The wines currently on the market are brilliant."



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