

KJ  
STATURE™  
LIMITED RELEASE

2001  
RED WINE  
NAPA VALLEY



STATURE represents the pinnacle of Kendall-Jackson winemaking excellence. Created from only the finest vineyards and handcrafted without compromise, it offers the ultimate expression of wine artistry.

#### VINEYARD PROFILE

Much of Napa Valley's reputation for outstanding Bordeaux-style varietals can be attributed to the Atlas Peak and Oakville areas. Both growing regions have well-drained gravelly soils, hot summer days and morning fog that make them outstanding. Our Stature Red Wine showcases an insightful blend of the Oakville and Atlas Peak terroir and their highly prized flavor profiles. Atlas Peak lends its signature rich, red berry flavors and smoky finish. Oakville adds integrated tannic structure, solid minerality, dark fruit and cassis notes. Together they are blended with a splash of Sonoma County for added roundness and perfectly balanced acidity.

#### WINEMAKING

Pre-fermentation cold-soak, warm fermentation in stainless steel tanks 7-9 days, and 15 days extended maceration on the skins translate to concentrated flavor and color, added layers of complexity and lush, voluptuous tannin development. After gentle pressing, the wine was racked directly into small French oak barrels (74% new) and aged for 19 months in thin-staved, heavily-toasted Château style barrels adding rich, balanced oak accents, a rounded texture and a serious, lingering, integrated finish.

#### VINTAGE PROFILE

The 2001 winter rainfalls were slightly below average and a few 80°F days in March set the stage for a potential frost disaster. However, optimism and hardwork prevailed, and the frost damage turned out to be minimal. Hotter than normal May and June months were followed by cooler than normal July, August and September months. This unique summer weather pattern lengthened the growing season and allowed the grapes to completely ripen with full, concentrated flavors.

#### ACCOLADES

91 - "An outstanding wine of exceptional complexity and character ...exhibits aromas of lead pencil shavings, licorice, black currants, smoke, and minerals... boasts outstanding richness, sweet, well-integrated tannin, and a serious finish that lasts 40+ seconds..." Robert M. Parker Jr. 12/03

"Aromatic, complex, deep and layered with even better balance than some cult wines with higher profiles. Fruit is from several of the finer vineyards in Napa Valley including To Kalon, Oak Knoll and Stagecoach." Mike Dunne, *Sacramento Bee*, 12/04

**Gold Medals:** 2005 Dallas Morning News Wine Competition, 2005 Riverside International Wine Competition, 2005 Jerry Mead's New World International Wine Competition

#### WINE STATISTICS

Composition:	64.5% Cabernet Sauvignon, 27.7% Merlot and less than 5% each of Petite Verdot, Malbec and Cabernet Franc for added complexity
Appellation:	91.5% Napa Valley, 8.5% Sonoma County
Oak Aging:	19 months in 100% French (74% new) oak
Harvest Brix:	25.3°
Skin Contact:	30 days
Alcohol:	14.5%
T.A.:	0.62g/100ml
pH:	3.58
Production:	531 cases