



# Conn Creek

## ANTHOLOGY

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### WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

Anthology is crafted for elegance and complexity, combining Bordeaux varieties from some of Napa Valley's finest vineyards. We tasted 20 blends before selecting the final blend for the 1998 Anthology. The 1998 bottling is marked by bright fruit aromas of plum, cherry and cassis and bold flavors of marinated cherry, ripe plum with mocha nuances. This is a silky medium-to-full bodied wine that can be enjoyed now or cellared for additional complexity.

*-Tom Montgomery, Winemaker*

### THE VINEYARDS

- Sourced from premier Napa Valley vineyards producing the finest Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec and Cabernet Franc grapes.
- The 1998 growing season was cool, with delayed ripening, a late harvest and low crop levels.
- Fruit from 1998 displayed intense color, bright fruit aromas and flavors and ideal balance of acidity and sugars.

### THE WINEMAKING

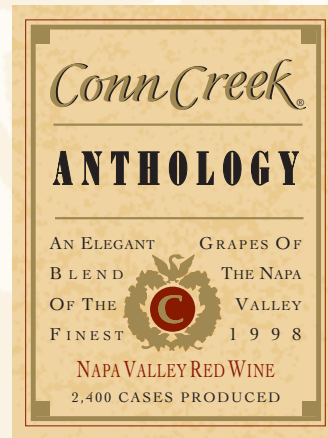
- Varieties and vineyard lots were vinified and aged separately and only the best barrels from each lot were selected for the final blend.
- Barrel aged for 21 months in equal parts new and one-year-old French oak.
- Aged for an additional 12 months in the bottle prior to its release.
- Anthology is unfiltered and unfinned to preserve its delicate aromas and flavors.

### HERITAGE OF ACCLAIM

93 pts., "Highly Recommended", *Wine Spectator*, 1997 vintage  
 Gold Medal /Best of Class/Best New World Red Meritage  
 2001 New World International Wine Competition, 1997 vintage  
 92 pts., *Wine News*, 1996 vintage  
 92 pts., *Wine Enthusiast*, 1995 vintage  
 Each of Anthology's seven vintages has scored 90+ points in wine publications

### THE FOOD

- Filet mignon
- Roast pork loin
- Robust cheeses



### THE STATS

Blend:  
 65% Cabernet Sauvignon, 19% Merlot, 12% Cabernet Franc, 4% Malbec

Total acidity : 0.65 g/100 ml  
 pH: 3.49  
 Alcohol: 14.2%

