# BOLT CUTTER 2017 CAB BLEND

### **Varietals:**

48% Cabernet Sauvignon, 27% Petit Verdot, 25% Syrah

# **Appellation:**

California

Vineyards:

Chelle Mountain, Slide Hill, Star Lane, Jespersen, White Hawk, Bien Nacido, White Cliffs, Rolph

## **Production:**

717 cases made

### Oak:

75% New French Oak

# **Time in Barrel:**

24 months

# Alcohol:

15.6 %

# **Cellar potential:**

6-10 years

### Release date:

September 14, 2019

# **TASTING NOTES**

You know him only by his ring name, Rage, but he just took home the bare-knuckle brawling belt in a vicious onslaught of left jabs and right hooks. Still bleeding from his eye, he exits the makeshift parking lot ring, flips off the crowd, and hops in his black-on-black Silverado. On the way home, he picks up his lavender-shampooed Bichon Frise from the groomer, a dozen roses for his wife, and the poet laureate's newest chapbook. He's got a bookshelf next to his barbells and a spice garden not far from his speed bag, where he eats plums and sips kopi luwak coffee. You might think that makes him soft, but you wouldn't dare say it to his face.

# **NOTES**

2012 was the inaugural vintage of Bolt Cutter, made with a majority share of Bordeaux varietals. The wine is a swerve from the historically Rhône focus of Herman Story. The name is a playful nod to Russell P. From's most iconic wine: Nuts & Bolts. This is Herman Story for the "I only drink Napa Cab" crowd.

# **SERVING**

Temperature: 65° F Decant: 2+ hours

# **ABOUT**

Proprietor and winemaker Russell P. From began Herman Story Wines in 2001 with 7 barrels stashed in his employer's cellar. What started as a modest homage to his rancher grandfather has become a beacon to those seeking opulent, structured Syrah and Grenache. To maintain balance while giving flavor full stage, Russell works with 30 top-tier vineyards in over 7 distinct growing regions between Santa Barbara and Paso Robles. Vineyards of particular note include: Bien Nacido, Slide Hill, Larner, Shadow Canyon, Chelle Mountain, Luna Matta and White Hawk. These are no nonsense, balls to the walls wines that are not for the faint of heart or the pinky raising set.



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