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**INTRODUCING QUILT, THE FIRST CABERNET SAUVIGNON FROM NAPA VALLEY
WINEMAKER JOE WAGNER**

Quilt Joins the Growing Copper Cane Wines & Provisions Portfolio

(St. Helena, CA; October 20, 2016) – Copper Cane Wines & Provisions announces the [2014 Quilt Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon](#), the first Cabernet release from fifth generation winemaker Joe Wagner. Drawing from a patchwork of six prime Napa Valley AVAs to create a full-bodied, rich, and decadent wine, Quilt exemplifies the classic structure of Cabernet from the region, while the blending of fruit from a variety of vineyards allows the wine to maintain more complexity and a better style consistency from vintage to vintage.

“It has always been in the plans for me to create a Cabernet Sauvignon,” says Wagner. “To craft Quilt, a tribute to Napa’s ‘noblest’ grape, I took fruit from the best parts of the Napa Valley and created a classic Cabernet made in the style my family has always loved.”

The founding of Copper Cane Wines & Provisions in 2014 laid the groundwork for Wagner’s exploration of new brand opportunities. Ideal Cabernet growing conditions that year also provided a terrific opportunity to cultivate the first vintage. In addition to the 2014 Cabernet Sauvignon, Wagner will release a Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon and a Napa Valley Chardonnay under the Quilt label in spring 2017.

For the 2014 Quilt Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon, Wagner focused on vineyards with well-draining, low nutritive soils that stressed the vines, resulting in a grape crop with an extraordinary concentration of flavor, color and texture. While the majority of the fruit comes from the Napa Valley floor to achieve the desired richness and elegance, the winemaking team also relied on grapes grown in the well-drained gravelly soils of the side slopes and at low elevations in the more mountainous areas. Fruit was sourced from the following Napa Valley AVAs: Oakville, St. Helena, Atlas Peak, Coombsville, Calistoga and Howell Mountain.

After picking fruit at optimum physiological maturity and separating the wine lots by individual vineyard in the cellar, the wine undergoes extended maceration, up to 60 days in some cases. The progress of each lot is then re-evaluated before the wine is moved to classic Bordeaux and Burgundy barrels (70% new) where it undergoes malolactic fermentation and is racked every 4 to 6 months until blending, and then bottling 20 months later.

Quilt is now available in restaurants and fine wine retailers nationwide for a SRP of \$44.99. The wine joins a thriving portfolio of existing brands, including Belle Glos; Elouan Wines; Beran Zinfandels; Carne Humana Wines; Steorra Sparkling; and Böen Pinot Noir.

Tasting Notes:

Color: Deep, dark brick red to blood plum

Aromas: A seamless blend of crème de cassis, hazelnut, cocoa, blackberry preserves, cherry meat, and blackberry pie along with suggestions of dark licorice, stewed rhubarb, strawberry, spice and vanillin.

Palate: Rich and satisfying with chocolate brownie, yogurt, molasses, and brown sugar and rhubarb notes presented in perfect balance with higher-toned fruit emphasis.

Food Pairing Suggestions: Cowboy-cut, grilled rib eye steak with béarnaise sauce; lamb chops with balsamic reduction; or a charcuterie platter with smoked duck breast, dry-cured pork sausage, figs, pecans and sliced apple.

About Copper Cane Wine & Provisions

Owned and operated by Joseph Wagner, Copper Cane Wines & Provisions is based in Napa Valley and houses a collection of brands that are crafted to offer a touch of luxury for everyday indulgence. The current portfolio includes: Belle Glos; Elouan Wines; Beran Zinfandels; Carne Humana Wines; Steorra Sparkling; and Böen Pinot Noir. Copper Cane is also home to Avrae, a premium line of cigars, and Mia Marcelle, a luxurious swimwear collection. For more information, please visit www.coppercane.com.

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