

2013 CABERNET FRANC NAPA VALLEY

Vintage

The 2013 vintage delivered one of the most ideal growing seasons to date. The year began with a warm, dry spring that laid the foundation for an exceptional fruit set. Despite one heat spike in late June, the vines had perfect conditions to move through each growth stage with ease. The vines were a picture perfect representation of health, as the grapes moved through veraison. The long, dry summer gave way to one of the earliest harvests to date in the history of Napa Valley. With no inclement weather in sight, vineyard managers had time on their side to pick at the optimal moment of balance and ripeness to create the best expression of their terroir. The wines from this vintage will represent the best of what Napa Valley can do and will be sought after the world over.

Vineyard

Our family vineyard is located on 40 acres of Napa Valley floor just north of St. Helena on the Silverado Trail. It has well-drained, sandy, alluvial soils and is characterized by its ability to produce complex wines with well-defined fruit flavors, gentle acids and naturally balanced tannins.

Wine Profile

Blend:

This delicious Cabernet Franc offers aromas of red fruits – think cherry, red currants and strawberry jam - with hints of mocha and clovey oak. The aromas carry through to the palate, in addition to blueberry, cinnamon baking spice and a touch of dried herbs. This wine is juicy with a rich mouth feel where sweet oak and balanced acidity bring it all together, enhancing the long finish. Drink now, or cellar it for up to a decade.

Technical Information

Vineyard Manager: Eric Titus Cases Produced: 977

Winemaker: Phillip Titus Release: November 2015

Appellation: Napa Valley Barrel Aging: 20 months

Harvest Date: October 2013 100% French Oak

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76% Cabernet Franc 45% New

8%Cabernet Sauvignon Alcohol: 14.9%

11% Malbec Total Acidity: .55 g/100 ml

5% Petit Verdot pH: 3.8