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V I N E Y A R D S

**2012 CABERNET SAUVIGNON  
NAPA VALLEY**

***Vintage***

The 2012 growing season started with an exceptional fruit set that allowed for tailoring the eventual ripened crops through green harvest. Three previous vintages had offered lower yields. That said, yields from 2012 were back to 'normal' and even a bumper crop in some cases. Heralded as a 'classic' Napa Valley vintage, the growing season was long. Days were warmer than average and nights were very cool. These temperature fluctuations created even ripeness in the berries with great acidity to assist in aging ability and higher sugars to help create lush, full wines. Harvest was easy going with no surprise rains or temperature spikes. The wines from this vintage will be talked about for many years to come.

***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. The 5 blocks of Cabernet planted on this vineyard are picked and aged separately, then blended together to create our Napa Valley Cabernet.

***Wine Profile***

Heavenly scents of red current, boysenberry, and cherry greet your nose while dry, soft flinty-sweet lavender vanilla, light Asiatic cooking spices, and toasty oak notes follow in this, our 23<sup>rd</sup> vintage of Cabernet Sauvignon. On the palate a deeper, juicier blend of fruit and spice pervades, showcasing well integrated tannins, dark red cherry, damson plum, macerated strawberry and a chicory-licorice-star anise blend. An everlasting finish of vanilla bean and oak round out the delicious palate. Enjoy immediately or age 10-15 years to perfection.

***Technical Information***

Vineyard Manager:	Eric Titus	Release:	August 2014
Winemaker:	Phillip Titus	Barrel Aging:	20 months
Appellation:	Napa Valley		French, Hungarian & American Oak
Harvest Date:	October 5, 2012		45% New
Blend:	80% Cabernet Sauvignon	Bottled:	June 2014
	14% Malbec	Alcohol:	14.9%
	6% Petit Verdot	Total Acidity:	.58g/100 ml
Cases Produced:	2455	pH:	3.78