



TITUS  
VINEYARDS

**2013 MERLOT  
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. The fruit from this small section of vineyard is largely devoted to blending into our Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon and Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon wines with any excess reserved for a small production, varietal Merlot wine.

***Technical Information***

Vineyard Manager:	Eric Titus	Release:	October 2015
Winemaker:	Phillip Titus	Barrel Aging:	20 months, 40% New French Oak, Hungarian Oak
Appellation:	Napa Valley	Bottled:	June 2015
Blend:	76% Merlot 14% Malbec 10% Cabernet Sauvignon	Alcohol:	14.9%
Cases Produced:	181	Total Acidity:	.59g/100 ml
		pH:	3.77