



T I T U S  
V I N E Y A R D S

**2012 PETITE SIRAH  
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 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.

***Wine Profile***

The complex nose of this estate- grown Petite Sirah offers up aromas of boysenberry, cherry Ludens drops, and horehound candies. Upon first sip, well integrated fine grain tannins envelope the brambly, dark cherry-plum-cobbler-y goodness, and soft oak melts into an everlasting finish of epic proportions. Bold and braw, this Petite Sirah should be called "Grand Sirah" instead!

***Technical Information***

Vineyard Manager:	Eric Titus	Barrel Aging:	20 months
Winemaker:	Phillip Titus		100% American oak
Appellation:	Napa Valley		40% New
Harvest Date:	October 17, 2012	Bottled:	June 2014
Blend:	100% Petite Sirah	Alcohol:	14.9%
Cases Produced:	286	Total Acidity:	.6 g/100 ml
Release:	August 2014	pH:	3.9