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V I N E Y A R D S

**2012 PETIT VERDOT
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.

Wine Profile

This is a wine for the ages! Quite literally. Deep ruby red in color and opaque almost to the rim, the brightness of the nose takes you by surprise with layers of candied apple, blackberry brown sugar, red pixi-stix candy, gelatin, light cigar box and tea rose. On the palate, many of those flavors deepen and play through, blending with chocolate covered blueberries, pomegranate juice, toasted pie crust, black pepper chai spice and creamy oak. Firm tannins and a nice long finish round out the mouthfeel. Not for the faint of heart, but definitely worth getting to know. 7 barrels produced, inaugural production year.

Technical Information

Vineyard Manager:	Eric Titus	Release:	May 2015
Winemaker:	Phillip Titus	Barrel Aging:	20 months
Appellation:	Napa Valley		100% French Oak
Harvest Date:	October 17, 2012		60% New
Blend:	80% Petit Verdot	Bottled:	June 2014
	10% Merlot	Alcohol:	14.9%
	10% Malbec	Total Acidity:	.6 g/100 ml
Cases Produced:	175	pH:	3.75