

2017 LOT 1 NAPA VALLEY

TITUS



SILVERADO TRAIL
50 YEARS IN NAPA VALLEY

- ESTABLISHED 1969 -

Titus Vineyards is a family owned 50-acre vineyard and winery located at the base of Howell Mountain along the Silverado Trail in the heart of the St. Helena AVA, Napa Valley. In the past 50 years, some of the valleys finest wines including Charles Krug, Beaulieu Vineyards and Cuvaison have originated from our historic vineyards. The modern-day legacy of winemaking and land stewardship is reflected in the distinctive character, well balanced wines made here.

VINEYARDS

- Our home 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.
- Our Ehlers Lane vineyard lies to the north of the winery estate, on the northern boundary of the St. Helena AVA. The volcanic slope and rocky stream bed soils yields small Cabernet Sauvignon berries and concentrated fruit.
- Multiple vineyard passes resulted in small lot harvesting that optimizes the timing and selection for ideal fruit maturity.

VINTAGE

- Despite record rainfalls during the Winter the rain stopped early and budbreak began on time with a full water table and sunny skies through the majority of April.
- May and June brought even weather with good recovery periods after typical heat spells. This led to even flowering and fruit set with a balanced crop hanging on the vines.
- After veraison the region was hit with hotter than normal temperatures during Labor Day Weekend. Judicious fruit dropping after the heat led to a smaller than average crop that ripened evenly and quickly.

WINEMAKING

Vineyard Manager: Eric Titus
Winemaker: Stephen Cruzan
Appellation: Napa Valley
Harvest Date: Sept. – Oct. 2017
Bottled: June 2019

Release: February 2021
Blend: 47% Petite Verdot
33% Petit Sirah
13% Malbec
7% Zinfandel
Cases Produced: 367

Barrel Aging: 60% New French &
Hungarian Oak
Alcohol: 15.1%
Acidity: 6.1 g/L
pH: 3.82

TASTING NOTES

The 2017 Lot 1 is full of delightful multitudes and is a wonderful example of this unique blend. The deep aromas are full of blueberry, cassis, glove leather, plum and lilac notes. On the palate the wine opens up with plushness and a welcoming texture that has berry compote, dark chocolate, and pomegranate fruits. The tannins are luxurious and extend the mouthcoating wine through the finish with black pepper and floral notes. Enjoy through 2036.