



TITUS



50 YEARS IN NAPA VALLEY

- ESTABLISHED 1969 -

2017 CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY

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, Beau-lieu Vineyards and Cuvaision have originated from our historic vineyards. Our flagship Cabernet Sauvignon is well represented by the modern-day legacy of winemaking and land stewardship which is reflected in the impressive character and balance of the wines made here.

VINEYARDS

- Our estate vineyard is 40 acres of Napa Valley floor, north of St. Helena on the Silverado Trail.
- Well-drained, sandy, alluvial soils produce focused fruit flavors, integrated acids, and naturally balanced tannins.
- The five blocks of Cabernet planted on this vineyard are picked multiple times and aged separately, then blended to create the core of our Napa Valley Cabernet.

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 lead 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 lead to a smaller than average crop that ripened evenly and quickly. Full bodied Cabernet Sauvignon, Malbec and Petite Verdot all resulted from these late-season conditions, making for a focused and expressive final blend.

WINEMAKING

The 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon was harvested in the two week period from September 26th-October 9th of 2017. After picking the fruit was gently destemmed and then pumped to tank. It was fermented on the skins from 10-14 days and then drained at the completion of alcoholic fermentation. After draining it was racked to 60% new French and Hungarian Oak barrels for ageing. It was then racked quarterly for the first year before being racked to tank in May 2019 for bottling.

The Cabernet Sauvignon in the 2017 Cabernet Sauvignon is primarily from the Titus Ranch Estate. This wine shows off the depth of flavor and lushness of tannins that this site produces year after year.

Vineyard Manager: Eric Titus

Winemaker: Stephen Cruzan

Appellation: Napa Valley

Harvest Date: Sept 26-Oct 9, 2017

Bottled: May 2019

Blend: 84.5% Cabernet Sauvignon

8.9% Petit Verdot

6.6% Malbec

Cases Produced: 3445

Barrel Aging: 60% New French

& Hungarian Oak

Alcohol: 14.9% Acidity: 5.9

pH: 3.82

TASTING NOTES

The 2017 Titus Vineyards Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon comes from our Titus Ranch Estate Vineyard and displays the plushness of fruit and tannin that comes from the sandy alluvial soils at our St Helena vineyard. The wine pops out of the glass with dried cherry, plum, cigar box and ground coffee aromas. The palate is rich with concentrated pomegranate, French plum, mocha, fresh herbs and spice that holds through the round mid-palate. The fine-grained tannins and fresh acid deliver a bright fresh body that finishes with long notes of dark chocolate, baking spices and currant. Enjoy through 2032.