

2019 LOT 1 NAPA VALLEY

TITUS



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

- The 2019 growing season began with ample January rains that continued through the Winter months. Lower than average temperatures as we moved into Spring pushed bud break off a week or two from the normal window. Unseasonable rains moved in the month of May, which did not affect fruit set due to the delay in flowering. At this point the soil moisture was ideal going into the long summer growing season.
- Mild to warm growing conditions throughout June and July allowed the soil to gradually dry and kept the plants in stress free state leading up to and through veraison. A warm August helped the ample crop move along toward maturity, with September providing ideal conditions for extended hang time to develop color and flavor. Similar to 2018, the majority of the red grape harvest was in October.

WINEMAKING

Vineyard Manager: Eric Titus
Winemaker: Stephen Cruzan
Appellation: Napa Valley
Harvest Date: Sept. – Oct. 2019
Bottled: June 2021

Blend: 53% Petite Sirah
30% Malbec
13% Petit Verdot
4% Zinfandel
Cases Produced: 365

Barrel Aging: 20 months in 60% New
French & Hungarian Oak
Alcohol: 14.5%
Acidity: 4.9 g/L
pH: 3.68

TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Titus Lot 1 is a robust concentrated wine filled with depth and layers redolent of our favorite past Lot 1's. The aromas are packed with blueberry, blackberry, chocolate, purple flowers and lingering leather and earth notes that give the bouquet a lifted finish. Rich and dark on entry the flavors fill the palate with cassis, dark berry compote, mocha and cherry cola with a melted down mouthcoating texture. The tannins have a pleasant grip with enough polish to help the wine glide to the finish with notes of lilac, cedar, and radiant warm toast. Enjoy 2025-2035.