

2021 FAMILY ESTATE RESERVE CABERNET SAUVIGNON

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 Cuvaion 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 harvesting passes resulted in small lot fermentations that optimize the timing and selection for ideal fruit maturity.

VINTAGE

- Late season rains and cool temperatures meant for a slightly later Spring with bud break occurring in the third week of March. Even weather throughout the Spring allowed the soils to dry out and flowering to occur unabated with balanced berry set happening across all varieties.
- June and July provided ideal weather to help the vines catch up a bit and proceed into veraison in early August. The heat of late Summer allowed the vineyards to develop deep flavors with rich color in the red varieties.
- The mid-September harvest dates for the Cabernet Sauvignon allowed the fruit to be expressive, concentrated and retain its natural acidity, yet softened tannins ideally for building a bold yet integrated wine.

WINEMAKING

The Cabernet for the 2021 Titus Family Reserve was harvested in the 10-day period from September 17th to September 27th, 2021. The Cabernet Sauvignon comes primarily from the Titus Estate on Ehlers Ln which has rocky soil and is planted on a large rock knoll. After the fruit was received at the winery it was destemmed directly to tank where it was fermented for 14 days. At the conclusion of fermentation, the free run wine was drained from tank and racked to barrel. This wine was aged in 85% new French Oak barrels for 22 months during which a barrel selection of our favorite barrels produced the blend for this wine.

Vineyard Manager: Eric Titus

Winemaker: Stephen Cruzan

Appellation: Napa Valley

Harvest Date: Sep, 7th – 27th, 2021

Bottled: May 2023

Blend: 87% Cabernet Sauvignon

9.5% Petit Verdot

3.5% Malbec

Cases Produced: 1700

Barrel Aging: 22 months in 85% New French Oak

Alcohol: 14.8%

Acidity: 5.8 g/L

pH: 3.8

TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Titus Family Estate Reserve embodies the depth, concentration, and beauty of our Ehlers Lane vineyard with grace and elegance. A core of Blueberry, black currant, mulberry and warm coffee are rounded out with hints of lilac and maduro wrapped cigar. Inkiness in the glass gives the wine depth and length with rich finely knit tannins melting to chocolate pot de crème intensity. Crème de cassis and berry tart notes yield to espresso and rich oak on the finish as the palate endures. Enjoy 2025-2041.