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2012 Napa Valley Syrah

NAPA VALLEY

This rich and enticing wine is a blend of Syrah and Grenache that originates exclusively from the Howell Mountain appellation. This region's 1,800-foot elevation, unique to climate and volcanic soils are the key to producing bold, expressive wines.

In The Vineyards - 2012

- 2012 offered near-perfect growing conditions
- Warm weather during bloom allowed the vines to set a large crop with increased yields were the result of more berries, not larger berries
- Slightly cooler-than-average post-veraison weather, and a lack of any heat events allowed for greatly extended hang time
- Harvest was 2-3 weeks later than average, and the grapes arrived at the winery in pristine condition

Sensory Profile

- Head-turning aromas of wild strawberry, cherry and spice are underscored by a savory hint of smoked bacon
- On the full, ripe palate, deeper blue fruit and plum flavors are revealed, with a hint of earthiness contributing additional depth and complexity

– Winemaker Don Laborde

Composition

86% Syrah, 14% Grenache

Origin

Appellation: Napa Valley Harvest Dates: September 25 – October 31, 2012

Aging & Oak

16 months in Oak 90% French oak, 10% American 40% New oak, 60% Second Vintage

Production and Technical Data

Average Sugar at Harvest: 26° Brix Alcohol: 14.5%

> Bottled: July 2014 Released: February 2015

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