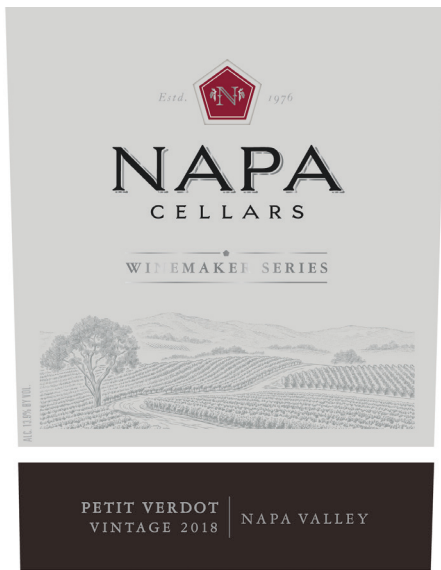


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NAPA CELLARS

WINEMAKER SERIES

PETIT VERDOT | NAPA VALLEY
VINTAGE 2018



With more than 40 years of winemaking heritage in California's most fabled wine region, Napa Cellars produces wines that embody the classic, unmistakable style of Napa Valley. Veteran winemaker Joe Shirley crafts these wines from our own vineyards as well as coveted partner sites from across Napa Valley and its sub-appellations. Meticulous care in the vineyard and gentle winemaking techniques allow the quality and richness of Napa Valley's terroir to shine in the finished product.

VINEYARD

The grapes for this Petit Verdot were sourced mostly from a small block in the Coombsville AVA of Napa Valley. Coombsville's volcanic, rocky soils stress the vines, and a long, slow growing season means full, even ripening of the fruit that translates to excellent mouthfeel and structure. Its vines produce fruit with layers of complexity, an earthy minerality and exceptional natural acidity.

WINEMAKING

The grapes for the 2018 Petit Verdot were handpicked and immediately crushed. A 15-day maceration period, complete with seed removal and délestage, helped to coax out the aromatic characters and flavors of the wine and create full, round tannins. After pressing, the wine was aged in French oak barrels, 44% of which were new, for 20 months before bottling

WINEMAKER NOTES

The Napa Cellars 2018 Petit Verdot opens with aromas of plum, forest floor, cedar, mint and violets. Ripe plum and red currant flavors lead into layers of dark cherry, dark brambly fruit, winter spices and vanilla, all seamlessly integrated, for a full-bodied wine with great depth.

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

COMPOSITION: 84% Petit Verdot,
14% Cabernet Sauvignon and 2% Malbec

AGING: 20 months in French oak barrels,
44% new

ALCOHOL: 13.9%

T.A.: 0.5 g / 100ml

PH: 3.80

HARVEST DATE: October 22 - 23, 2018

RELEASE DATE: March 2022

CASES: 202

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