



2017 MT. GEORGE VINEYARD | COOMBSVILLE

# PETIT VERDOT

## WINEMAKING

### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

96% Petit Verdot 4% Cabernet Sauvignon

### HARVEST DATES

October 4, 2017

### BRIX AT HARVEST

Average 27.4°

### MACERATION

Average 10 days

### BARREL AGING REGIMEN

Aged 15 months in 18% new Hungarian oak

#### New oak profile:

18% Hungarian 500L puncheons

#### Overall oak profile:

82% French, 18% Hungarian

**PH:** 3.60 pH | **TA:** 5.50 g/L

**ALCOHOL:** 14.8%

### PRODUCTION

659 (9L) cases

### WINEMAKERS

Jon Emmerich, Elena Franceschi

## HERITAGE

**MT. GEORGE (100%)** – Located in Coombsville, Mt. George Vineyard is the site of one of the first grape plantings in the Napa valley in the 19th century. Under the care of pioneering Napa vintner, Henry Hagen, the vineyard known then as Cedar Knoll established its reputation in the 1880's as a source for fine American red wines. In 1988, Silverado Vineyards purchased a significant portion of the historic site.

## SOILS + CLIMATE

The cooler climate and deep, gravelly soils derived from volcanic rock and ash of the ancient volcano whose name the vineyard now bears, provide depth and structure to Silverado Vineyards' wines.

## VINTAGE

From abundant winter rains to cool spring weather, warm summer temperatures and October's wildfires, 2017 is a memorable vintage. Plentiful winter rains helped refresh our vines and led to a cool, mild spring. Due in part to these warmer temperatures, 90% of Napa Valley's grape tonnage was harvested before the wine country wildfires began. Based on Silverado's house wine style, we typically pick early and were fortunate to have 100% of our fruit harvested with no smoke impact.

## TASTING NOTES

Robust aromas and flavors of boysenberry, huckleberry, blackberry and pecan pie. Accents of violets, roses and sweet baking spices. Tannins are well integrated, resulting in a well-balanced wine.

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