



2013
ESTATE PETIT VERDOT

VINTAGE

2013 was an exceptional vintage! The warm, dry spring resulted in early bud break, around the same week as last year's vintage. Moderate temperatures throughout most of the growing season made for ideal conditions, healthy vines, and even ripening. October was cool but sunny, which allowed for extended hang times and complete ripening.

VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

The Foley Johnson Estate Petit Verdot is grown on loamy soils of gravel, clay, and sand which helps provide ample drainage and lessen the vigor of foliage growth. These ideal growing conditions allow our Bordeaux varietals to reach full maturity on the vine without taking on the green leafy taste of under-ripened fruit. The wine went through 100% malolactic fermentation and was racked throughout the barreling process. After 19 months of aging in French Oak barrels the wine was bottled in July 2015.

TASTING

Our 2013 Petit Verdot comes from estate vineyards in the Rutherford AVA. Deep ruby with purple hues, this wine exudes dark fruit aromas of plum, blackberry and dried sage. The palate is layered and silky with red fruits, clove, anise and a hint of toasted oak. The mouthfeel is structured and elegant accented by velvety tannins that are framed by vanilla flavors from the oak aging. Pair this wine with a hearty beef stew.

STATISTICS

APPELLATION	Rutherford, Napa Valley	ALCOHOL	14.5%
COMPOSITION	89.5% Petit Verdot, 3.9% Cabernet Sauvignon, 3.7% Malbec, 2.9% Merlot	TA	5.7 g/L
AGING	19 months in French oak barrels	PH	3.87
		BOTTLING DATE	July 7, 2015
		PRODUCTION	123 Cases