

TERRA VALENTINE



2012 SPRING MOUNTAIN DISTRICT CABERNET SAUVIGNON



Vintage:

"Classic" and "perfect" are just two accolades being bestowed upon the 2012 Napa Valley growing season and harvest. Textbook conditions saw near-ideal spring bud break, steady flowering, even fruit set, and a lengthy stretch of warm days and cool and often foggy nights during the long summer months. Late and light rains held off until Napa Valley's treasured wine grapes found optimal ripeness, bringing exceptional quality to the crush pad and into the cellar.

Vineyard:

The Spring Mountain District Cabernet Sauvignon is sourced from two distinct vineyards on the mountain. Each vineyard, with a unique set of soils, exposures, and microclimates, produce grapes with distinction and personality reflecting the terroir of the site. The vineyards range from 900 to 1800 feet on the eastern slopes of the Mayacama mountain range. Blessed with morning sun and moderate temperatures, these vineyards retain the fresh, bright fruit and elegance this AVA is known for.

Tasting:

Boysenberry jam, blueberry and black cherry fruit aromas with cedar, allspice and caramel. Forward black fruit with a rich cocoa mid-palate finishing with bright balanced acidity.

Composition:

78% Cabernet Sauvignon,
15% Merlot,
7% Cabernet Franc

Barrel Regime:

15 months in barrel
100% French Oak - 50% new

Harvest Dates:

October 16 - November 8

Vinification:

Cold soaked 48 hours, Extended maceration, free-run drained off after 21 days total contact.

Aging: 2014 - 2021

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