

PROFILE

COLLECTION

2012 PROFILE NAPA VALLEY RED WINE

BLEND

- 85% Cabernet Sauvignon
- 15% Petit Verdot

APPELLATION

Napa Valley

VINEYARD

Profile Estate Vineyard

HARVEST DATES

September 8-25, 2012

BRIX AT HARVEST

26°

COOPERAGE

100% new Taransaud and Sylvain
Grande Reserve

ÉLEVAGE

24 months

ALCOHOL

14.8%

TA

5.49%

PH

3.72



2012 PROFILE

NAPA VALLEY RED WINE

WINEMAKING

This 29th vintage of our Profile proprietary red blend continues to showcase the very best fruit from the harvest. Traditionally, comprised from top vineyard sites in our portfolio from throughout the Napa Valley, this vintage is sourced exclusively from our gorgeous hillside Profile Estate Vineyard located east of St. Helena. Although the 2012 harvest was excellent throughout the Napa Valley, we found in our blending trials that our estate lots of Cabernet Sauvignon and Petit Verdot stood head and shoulders above the rest. The phenolic development in this vineyard is truly outstanding and showcased in the wine's elegance and very fine tannin structure.

VINTAGE

All indications are that the 2012 vintage will be a memorable one, thanks to a classic growing season which resulted in excellent quality overall. Harvest ran at a moderate pace until the middle of October, but ramped up through the end of the month requiring long days and nights in the field and on the crush pad in order to bring everything in at optimal maturity. The extended growing season in 2012 was ideal for flavor and tannin development and retaining acidity.

SENSORY IMPRESSIONS

Aromas of dark sweet cherry, black currant, dark plum, and finely integrated baking spice and toast. The very sweet, exuberant fruit is complemented by notes of rose petals, almond toffee, vanilla and cedarwood. Sweet black fruit on the entry opens to a rich, velvety mid-palate. The weight and concentration in this wine are balanced by flavors of dark ripe cherry, berry and plum, along with cocoa and spice. The oak is well integrated and seamlessly supports the weight of the fruit. This refined and structured wine is framed by nice acidity, a long finish and very fine tannins.