



SMALL LOT COLLECTION

NAPA VALLEY SYRAH

2022



TECHNICAL NOTES

APPELLATION: Napa Valley

ALCOHOL: 15.0%

PH: 3.77

TA: 6.7 g/L

VARIETALS: 95% Syrah, 4% Viognier, 1% Petit Verdot

AGING: 18 months in 16% new French oak

BOTTLED: July 8, 2024
unfined and unfiltered

HARVEST DATES: September 13 & September 17,
2022

VEGAN FRIENDLY



IN THE VINEYARD

Our Small Lot Collection Syrah grapes as well as the Viognier grapes come from a single vineyard in the Oak Knoll AVA. The vines are planted to Fagan clay loam formed from shale and sandstone. The vineyard sits at 350 feet on a western facing hillside location which allows the Syrah to ripen without excessive alcohol, letting both the spicy and gamy nature of Syrah to shine through. The Petit Verdot is from our Ticen estate on pleuston loam soils which are gravelly over clay and gives a boost to the weight of the wine without taking away the silky roundness.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

The Syrah was picked in the cool morning hours of September 13 and the Petit Verdot was picked on September 17. The Syrah and Viognier were co-fermented and the grapes were left on their skins for 25 days to preserve freshness. The wine was aged in Demptos French oak barrels, 16% new, for 18 months before being bottled on July 8 which is a root day.

WINE PROFILE

The 2022 Small Lot Napa Valley Syrah reveals a striking deep garnet hue in the glass. Captivating scents of sun-drenched berries, roasted hazelnuts, and a whisper of cedar rise gracefully. Vibrant flavors of stewed plum, warm blueberry cobbler, and aromatic clove envelop the palate. The silky, harmoniously textured mouthfeel unfolds into a lingering and impressive finish.