

2017  
PETIT VERDOT



# HALTER RANCH

*Blend:* 100% Petit Verdot

*Harvest Dates:* Petit Verdot - Block 48 10/3/17

*Fermentation:* Destemmed and fermented in closed top fermenters, with delestage daily for the first few days of fermentation followed by open pump-overs two to three times daily for an average of 16 days.

*Aging:* Aged 18 months in French oak barrels, 50% of which were new oak.

*Alcohol:* 14.40%

*pH:* 3.89

*TA:* 5.6 g/L

*Bottled:* April 30, 2019

*Production:* 175 Cases

## TASTING NOTES:

Petit Verdot is one of the six red grape varieties that are grown in Bordeaux, France, and its name loosely translates to “little green one”, a reference to its late ripening behavior. Petit Verdot thrives in warm climates, and although it is traditionally used in small amounts for blending, we have had an exceptional vineyard block of Petit Verdot that has produced a limited quantity of wine worthy to be bottled on its own. Petit Verdot is known for its color, structure, and tannins, and this wine lives up to these attributes. This offering has aromas of blackberries and cardamom that leads to a big palate with flavors of black fruit, licorice, and sarsaparilla.

*Pair with roasted lamb dishes, short ribs, and bold meats.*

*Drink now through 15-20 years*

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