# 2022 CABERNET SAUVIGNON NAPA VALLEY



- ESTABLISHED 1969

Titus Vineyards is a family owned 50-acre vineyard and winery located at the base of Howell Mountain along the Silverado Trail in the heart of the St. Helena AVA, Napa Valley. In the past 50 years, some of the valleys finest wines including Charles Krug, Beaulieu Vineyards and Cuvaison have originated from our historic vineyards. The modern-day legacy of winemaking and land stewardship is reflected in the distinctive character, well balanced wines made here.

### **VINEYARDS**

- Our home vineyard is located on 40 acres of Napa Valley floor just north of St. Helena on the Silverado Trail. It has well-drained, sandy, alluvial soils and is characterized by its ability to produce complex wines with well-defined fruit flavors, gentle acids, and naturally balanced tannins.
- Our Ehlers Lane vineyard lies to the north of the winery estate, on the northern boundary of the St. Helena AVA. The volcanic slope and rocky stream bed soils yields small Cabernet Sauvignon berries and concentrated fruit.
- Multiple vineyard passes resulted in small lot harvesting that optimizes the timing and selection for ideal fruit maturity.

#### VINTAGE

- Lower than average late winter rainfall in 2022 continued drought like conditions that encouraged bud break and an early start to the growing season. A sunny and warm Spring encouraged early canopy growth and flowering on schedule, that made for balanced berry set and a good-sized crop across all varieties.
- Summer conditions were near idyllic, and June and July were warm without being overly hot, that proceeded into veraison in late July and early August.

#### WINEMAKING

The 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon was harvested in the three-week period from September 14th - October 5th of 2022. After picking the fruit was gently destemmed and then pumped to tank. Fermentation occurred on the skins with macerations lasting 14-21 days, the wine was drained at the completion of fermentation. After draining the wine was racked to 50% new French and Hungarian Oak barrels for ageing. It was then racked quarterly for the first year before being racked to tank in April 2023 for bottling. The Cabernet Sauvignon in the 2022 Cabernet Sauvignon is primarily from the Titus Ranch Estate. This wine shows off the depth of flavor and lushess of tannins this site produces year after year.

Vineyard Manager: Eric Titus Winemaker: Stephen Cruzan Appellation: Napa Valley

Harvest Date: Sep. & Oct. 2022

Bottled: May 2024

Blend: 83% Cabernet Sauvignon 13% Petit Verdot 4% Malbec Cases Produced: 4356 Barrel Aging: 20 months in 60% New French & Hungarian Oak Alcohol: 15.1%

Acidity: 6.3 g/L pH: 3.78

## TASTING NOTES

The 2022 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon is exuberant, lush and well-rounded and shows off the Titus Ranch Estate to its fullest. The wine is filled with ripe plum, cocktail cherry, blackberry fruit notes that are generously spiced with cardamom and nutmeg notes. The palate is bountiful and round with a delightful lushness, round tannins give the mid palate and finish focus and grace. The wine lingers with delightful oak and spice notes. Enjoy through 2036.