



Herrera

SINGLE VINEYARD • BARREL SELECTED • LIMITED PRODUCTION

2011 PETIT VERDOT, SELECCIÓN VALERIA

TASTING NOTES

Petit Verdot is most often used in blends, but Rolando created this wine on its own. The 2011 Selección Valeria has a concentrated violet, almost black color, with beautiful aromas of honeycomb, blood orange, forest floor and sweet oak. Its velvety texture, rich gripping tannins and round mid-palate combines to display flavors of boysenberries, cranberries, hibiscus, apple sauce and blood orange. As 100% Petit Verdot you really get a sense of the character of this varietal.

VINTAGE

Rumors are that the 2011 harvest was certainly not the easiest, but who wants easy? The growing season began with a wet cool spring. Rainfall lasted into the middle of June affecting bloom and diminishing yields in many vineyards. The cool weather trend continued all summer delaying ripening throughout Napa Valley. The truth is, even in a stellar vintage, nothing is perfect. We are proud to say, that this vintage will be epic in our portfolio. We took advantage of the challenges and made a great wine.

APPELLATION:

Oak Knoll District, Napa Valley

VINEYARD:

Valeria Vineyard

VARIETAL:

100% Petit Verdot

PRODUCTION:

65 cases

AGING:

22 months

OAK REGIMENT:

100% French, 100% New

ALCOHOL: 14.7%

THE SELECCIÓN HERRERA STORY

"These wines are what I refer to, a gift from Mother Nature. This is my absolute best effort to take the gift that Mother Nature gives me every year and interpret the wine in a way that it resembles the personality of each one of my children, whom the wines are named. Given the numerous variables that I encounter each vintage, it is only after I've had a chance to taste through each barrel that I gain a genuine appreciation for the nuances that each vineyard has to offer. Those barrels that prove to be truly unique and distinctive will ultimately represent our limited production, ultra-premium Selección Herrera label. Considering the painstaking nature of this process, production will generally be limited from 2-4 barrels annually."

Rolando Herrera, Proprietor/Winemaker

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