

Herrera

2019

VALERIA PETIT VERDOT

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STARTING IN THE
VINEYARD

In 2019, the growing season commenced with abundant rainfall. Throughout the lengthy summer, there were minimal occurrences of scorching heat waves, while the misty mornings provided an ideal environment for producing lively and expressive wines. The extended gentle late summer aided in maintaining the fruit's freshness and refinement. The outcome was a remarkable vintage, characterized by exceptional fruit, notable acidity, and abundant texture.

TO THE **CELLAR**

For Petit Verdot to reach its full potential, it requires additional shade and an extended hanging period. A gradual maturation process promotes exceptional mouthfeel and structure, which is highly desirable. In Napa Valley, this particular small block is renowned for producing some of the most outstanding Petit Verdot. The grapes are meticulously hand-sorted, with only the finest barrels chosen for further aging after air-drying for an additional year.

IN YOUR **GLASS**

The glass is enveloped in a deep, inky purple hue that commands attention. The overwhelming aromatics are of wet stone, dried plum, blackberries, cherries, spiced oak, and a hint of vanilla. On the palate, the initial sip delivers a bold, full-bodied experience, with ripe, chewy tannins that seamlessly blend with the oak tannins. The taste is a complex combination of dark, luscious cherries, fresh coffee, espresso, earthy tones, and oak. This luxurious and well-balanced Petit Verdot is a true representation of the varietal's characteristics.

ON YOUR **TABLE**

Treating yourself to the pleasure of savoring this wine alongside a succulent rotisserie lamb shoulder is highly recommended. The combination is guaranteed to tantalize your taste buds.



Vintage 2019

Varietal 100% Petit Verdot

Appellation Oak Knoll

Vineyard Valeria

Oak 100% New French

Aging 38 months

Alcohol 14.7%