



2012 BARBERA LIVERMORE VALLEY

GRAPES 97% BARBERA, 3% PETITE SIRAH

APELLATION LIVERMORE VALLEY

HARVEST DATE OCTOBER 17TH, 2012

MATURATION FRENCH OAK

BOTTLING DATE JUNE 27TH, 2015

PRODUCTION 84 CASES

RETAIL PRICE \$28.00

WINEMAKERS COMMENTS

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BARBERA IS BELIEVED TO HAVE ORIGINATED IN THE HILLS OF MONFERRATO IN CENTRAL PIEMONTE, ITALY WHERE IT HAS BEEN KNOWN FROM THE THIRTEENTH CENTURY. IT IS THE THIRD MOST-PLANTED RED GRAPE VARIETY IN ITALY AFTER SANGIOVESE AND MONTEPULCIANO. WE BEGAN MAKING BARBERA WITH FRUIT FROM LODI, AND FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS HAVE BEEN USING LIVERMORE FRUIT. THIS 2012 HAILS FROM THE VINEYARD RIGHT ACROSS FROM THE TASTING ROOM. LARGER THAN LIFE WITH THE ACIDITY YOU WOULD EXPECT FROM BARBERA, AND RETAINS FULL FRUIT FLAVOR.

TASTING NOTES

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THE 2012 BARBERA INTEGRATES BALANCE OF FOOD-FRIENDLY WINES, ALONG WITH ENOUGH FLAVOR AND BODY TO DRINK ALONE. THE DEEP RUBY COLOR, ABUNDANT FRUIT, WITH BALANCED TANNINS AND ACID REWARD YOU WITH UNLIMITED ENJOYMENT FROM BEGINNING TO END. THE AROMAS OF RASPBERRY, CHERRY, STRAWBERRY, PLUM AND SWEET BLACK CURRANT FRUIT ARE TOPPED OF WITH A SLIGHT NOTE OF CHOCOLATE. THE MID-PALATE IS GREETED BY ROUND AND SUPPLE TANNINS WITH A HINT OF SPICE.

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