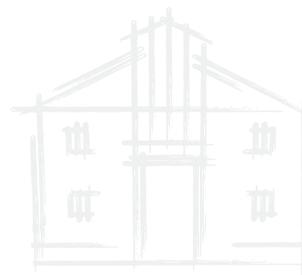


MURRIETA'S WELL

ESTATE VINEYARD



The Spur

RED WINE BLEND

LIVERMORE VALLEY

VINEYARD

All grape varieties in this wine are exclusively sourced from our estate vineyard in the Livermore Valley. All of the Bordeaux varieties were grown in the Sachau vineyard located directly behind our historic tasting room. Elevation on this vineyard ranges from 615-845 feet and the soils consist of mainly very gravelly, coarse sandy loam – ideal for these varieties. The Cabernet Sauvignon was also grown in our Louis Mel and Ernest vineyards. A distinct feature on the Louis Mel vineyard is an ancient riverbed that runs through it. The Ernest vineyard has an elevation range of 575-615 feet and is located directly west of the Louis Mel vineyard. The Petite Sirah is grown on the Hayes vineyard, which has the widest elevation range (560-860 feet) on our entire estate. It features an array of soil types, aspects and slopes, which makes it ideal for growing a range of grape varieties. We farm all of our vineyards block by block to ensure optimal flavor and fruit expression.

Cabernet Sauvignon: Sachau, Louis Mel & Ernest | Petite Sirah: Hayes | Petit Verdot: Sachau & Louis Mel
Merlot: Sachau | Cabernet Franc: Sachau

WINEMAKING

FERMENTATION | All the varieties in this wine's composition were fermented individually in stainless steel and pumped over several times daily to maintain the full fruit expression of the vineyard and build deeper texture in the mouthfeel.

AGING | The blend was made shortly after harvest and aged together for 24 months in 50% new, 25% second use, and 25% third use French oak.

HARVEST

Harvest for this wine began with the Petite Sirah in early October 2014 and ended with Merlot at the end of October. This vintage continues as part of several vintages in a row of drought seasons. Viticulturally, we received acceptable rains and supplemented available ground water with drip irrigation. The combination of less water and warmer weather brought us lower yields from the vineyard and earlier harvest dates. While the drought continued to be difficult, these conditions actually brought us excellent quality of concentrated fruit due to these factors.

ROBBIE'S TASTING NOTES

The Spur is crafted from blending the classic Bordeaux varietals with Petite Sirah to create a distinctly Livermore Valley fruit expression. Each varietal in this blend is farmed, harvested, and handcrafted individually to achieve their greatest expression. This vintage features aromas and flavors of vanilla, spiced cranberry, and clove with graham cracker and blueberries on the palate. Assertive tannins and round body create a lasting and elegant mouthfeel. Enjoy through 2022.

2014

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

45% Cabernet Sauvignon, 22% Petite Sirah,
14% Petit Verdot, 10% Merlot,
9% Cabernet Franc

ALCOHOL | 13.5%

PH | 3.67

TA | 0.64

BARRELS PRODUCED | 207

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