



2012 NAPANOOK

Made solely from grapes grown at the historic Napanook Vineyard in Yountville, Napanook is blended from blocks in the vineyard that were carefully selected for their lively fruit, soft tannins and early maturing characteristics.

The 2012 Napanook is a clear expression of an exceptional vintage. Pure aromas of fresh strawberry, caramel and minty sage fill the nose. Vigorous and rich with firm, yet integrated tannins, the wine offers earthy complexity, dark cocoa and roasted almonds on a long lingering finish.

Napanook 2012 is a blend of 95% Cabernet Sauvignon and 5% Petit Verdot.

This wine is created to be consumed young and enjoyed with food, but will also age well for more than a decade. Christian Moueix recommends decanting young wines before serving to allow them to reach their full potential.

Celebrating its 17th vintage, Napanook dons a new label in 2012. The bold black and white design reflects the wine's maturity, definition and class.

VINTAGE SUMMARY

2012 enjoyed a perfect growing season. Plentiful rainfall in March and April lessened winter drought concerns, and a mild spring with few temperature fluctuations contributed to an even budbreak and a healthy bloom. Summer temperatures were consistently warm, without excessive heat spikes, which provided conditions for slow, homogenous maturation of fruit, exhibiting great character and richness.

BEGINNING DATE OF HARVEST:	October 9
FINAL DATE OF HARVEST:	October 21
PERCENTAGE OF NEW BARRELS:	20%
BOTTLING DATE:	June 2014
9-LITER CASES PRODUCED:	3000
RELEASE DATE:	May 2015