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2012 Napa Valley Cabernet Sauvignon
Three Palms Vineyard

One of California's legendary vineyards, Three Palms is revered for its history and its benchmark wines. We have been proud to craft a vineyard-designated Merlot from this property since our inaugural vintage in 1978. Throughout the years, the Cabernet Sauvignon from Three Palms has always played an integral role in the final blend, adding richness and depth. With aromas of cinnamon and clove, and dark cherry and black raspberry flavors, this wine showcases the power and purity of Three Palms Cabernet Sauvignon.

2012 Harvest Notes

The 2012 growing season offered near-perfect growing conditions. Though budbreak was late due to heavy spring rains, warm weather during bloom allowed the vines to set a large crop. Increased yields were the result of more berries, not larger berries. This translated into even higher quality in the winery, as the skin-to-juice ratio remained ideal. Slightly cooler-than-average post-veraison weather and a lack of any heat events allowed for greatly extended hang time. Harvest was 2-3 weeks later than average, and the grapes arrived at the winery in pristine condition.

Winemaker Notes

While Three Palms is rightfully legendary for its Merlot, this wine shines a spotlight on the profound quality and character of its Cabernet Sauvignon. From its layered aromas of mahogany, marionberry, garam masala and flint to its flavors of blackberry, dark chocolate, wet stone and anise, this is a fascinating wine, with a rich, fleshy mid-palate and a long thought-provoking finish.

Varietal Content

84% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Merlot, 3% Cabernet Franc, 2% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec

Harvest Information

Appellation: Calistoga

Harvest Dates: September 29 – October 6, 2012

Average Sugar at Harvest: 28.1° Brix

Cooperage

100% French oak château-style barrels (60 gallons)

Barrel Aging: 24 Months

Age of Barrels: 100% New

Production/Technical Data

Alcohol: 14.5%

Titrateable Acidity: 0.59 g/100ml

pH: 3.61

Bottled: December 2014

Released: September 2015

