



David Arthur



VINEYARDS

2012 MERITAGGIO
RED WINE BLEND, NAPA VALLEY

Meritaggio is the brainchild of the Long brothers. Wanting to fulfill his desire of producing a fine Meritage blend, David set out to find clones of the five classic Bordeaux varietals. On his travels, he came across Sangiovese, which stole the spotlight from any Malbec he had ever tasted. Bob had the brilliance to name the wine “Meritaggio” in honor of Sangiovese’s Italian Heritage. We enjoy blending this every year because it allows us a freedom to create the very best blend from all our different lots.

HARVEST DATE: September 28th - September 31st 2012

BARREL PROGRAM: 30% New French oak

BLEND: 54% Cabernet Sauvignon
28% Sangiovese
10% Merlot
5% Petit Verdot
3% Cabernet Franc

WINE CHEMISTRY: Alc. v/v: 14.9%

CASES PRODUCED: 1,380 cases

RETAIL PRICE: \$55.00

TASTING NOTES:

A rich deep red color with rose-pink edging from the Sangiovese shows lifted fruit aromas of strawberry-cherry and rhubarb pie followed by candied spices of toffee, vanilla bean and sandalwood/toasted oak. The palate is sweet, lush and polished with fine grained tannins that offer flavors of tamarind, plum and finishes with a clean chalk like minerality. Best from 2014 to 2022.