

# MURRIETA'S WELL

ESTATE VINEYARD



## *The Spur* RED WINE BLEND LIVERMORE VALLEY

### VINEYARD

Our wines are sourced exclusively from our estate in the Livermore Valley. The Spur 2013 is blended from grape varieties that come from various historic blocks on our estate existing in slightly different soil make-ups, aspects, and conditions. We farm our vineyard and plant varieties according to these attributes to ensure all varieties are planted in the optimal location for them to grow best.

Petite Sirah: Hayes | Cabernet Sauvignon: Louis Mel and Sachau | Petit Verdot: Sachau  
Merlot: Sachau | Cabernet Franc: Sachau | Malbec: Sachau

### WINEMAKING

**FERMENTATION** | All varietals were fermented separately to achieve their maximum potential. Each fermentation varied in terms of temperature, extraction techniques, and overall skin contact as a way to properly manage the attributes of the vineyard block.

**AGING** | The wines were aged for 24 months in French oak barrels, using a combination of new and previously used barrels in order to achieve an oak presence that was integrated and complimentary to the fruit.

### HARVEST

The 2013 vintage offered exceptionally concentrated and bold expressions from our red grapes. The Merlot blocks from high on the Sachau hill were our first grapes harvested for The Spur. We picked rather quickly finishing with the Petite Sirah blocks only a few weeks later. Warm days, cool nights, and dry weather persisted throughout the 2013 harvest which provided the ideal growing conditions for this wine.

### ROBBIE'S TASTING NOTES

The Spur 2013 is crafted from blending the classic Bordeaux varietals with a Petite Sirah foundation and offers a distinctively California expression. Each varietal is farmed, harvested, and handcrafted individually to achieve their greatest expression. Beautiful fruit aromas of black cherry and blueberry are highlighted by subtle notes of sweet oak and earthy spice. A ripe tannic structure and balanced acidity make this wine perfect by itself or paired with your favorite recipes from the grill.

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#### VARIETAL NOTES

40% Petite Sirah, 26% Cabernet Sauvignon,  
10% Petit Verdot, 8% Merlot, 8% Cabernet Franc,  
8% Malbec

ALCOHOL | 14.5%

PH | 3.73

TA | 0.61

BARRELS PRODUCED | 345

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