

2015 FUERZA PETIT VERDOT

BALLARD CANYON, SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

100% Petit Verdot | 50 Cases Produced

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RUMINATIONS

A NOTE ON DRINKABILITY: While I usually push for early enjoyment of our wines to capture their vibrant youth and energy, I'd strongly recommend laying the 2015 Desafio, Alma, Fuerza and Tierra down for a number of years. They all contain so much of what makes 2015 superb: incredible generosity of fruit, remarkable concentration of flavors, lifted freshness and a structural integrity that seems to frame the fruit and finish for days. Thanks to this combination of energy and power, they could certainly use a few years to evolve and stretch out.

See if you can find a spot for them in your cellar...

In the meantime, there is so much immediate pleasure in the 2015 Sangre, Fenix and Todos, though they too will blossom to become so much more complete with some additional time.

They offer an earlier window through which to enjoy and understand what a fantastic vintage we experienced in 2015! — Matt Dees Winemaker

ON THE WINE

Have to taste this wine to believe it. Acts like a red wine reduction with its intensity and concentration. Tight on the attack. Aromatic black tea and sweet spice. Incense and inner-perfume. Reminiscent of steeped blackberry tea. Unforgettable sensation of generous black fruit with beautifully drying tannins. Finest and most formidable Fuerza to date. — Matt Dees Winemaker

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