

2016 SIGNATURE SERIES TITAN

68% Petit Verdot | 29% Merlot | 3% Cabernet Sauvignon

NOTES

"Titan is a blend of Petit Verdot, Merlot, and a touch of Cabernet Sauvignon from our Red Mountain estate vineyard. Unhurried aging of Red Mountain fruit in 100% French oak barrels results in elegant rich flavors of red and black fruits that show huge concentration and depth. The balanced acidity provides an extended finish that lingers on the back of the palate leaving you yearning for the next sip." — Ref Place

Keith Pilgrim Owner/Winemaker



VINEYARD

Terra Blanca Estate Vineyard, Red Mountain Salmon Safe Certified

GROWING CONDITIONS

In the current decade we have had two of the coolest growing seasons and two of the warmest growing seasons, so why not set another record in 2016. 2016 was the earliest bud break, with growth starting the first week of March. With such an early start to the year, we were lucky to get through the spring frost season with no issues.

The amazingly early spring resulted in the heat unit accumulation beginning in the first half of March. By early July we were ahead of the total heat unit record set in 2015. July and August cooled to more typical summer temperatures with days in the 90s and nights dipping into the 50s (this allowed the grapes to have long hang time on the vines).

HARVEST

Average Brix at Harvest - 25.4° Brix Average pH - 3.71 Average Titratable Acidity - 0.505g/100ml

WINEMAKING

Grapes had initial cold soak for four days. Fermentation in open tanks using a variety of yeast types and some multiple yeast fermentation help to create wines with rich, complex flavors. Aged for up to 28 months in French oak barrels, 85% new.

BOTTLE

Alcohol by Volume - 14.5% pH - 3.76 Titratable Acidity - 0.542g/100ml Production - 609 cases