



HILL FAMILY
E S T A T E



2018 Petit Verdot

Production: 117 cases

Composition: 92% Petit Verdot, 3% Syrah, 2% Cabernet Sauvignon, 2% Malbec and 1% Merlot and Cabernet Franc

Vineyards: Windy Flats, Apallas and Baker

Elevation: Valley floor - 1,200 ft.

Cooperage: 100% new French oak, 50% Tonnellerie O and 50% Remond A

Alcohol: 15.4%, TA:5.6 g/L, pH: 3.82

Bottling date: June 10, 2020

Release date: February 2021

Release price: \$76.00

Petit Verdot is one of the 5 noble Bordeaux varieties. It is normally used in blends to bolster the color and tannin. At Windy Flats, Petit Verdot has a more civilized outcome, and though still a monster, it is drinkable and even has some finesse. In 2018 when everything was able to ripen nicely, for the first time ever, all 5 noble Bordeaux varieties are being produced at Hill Family Estate as individual wines!

Winemaker Alison Doran's tasting notes:

The 2018 Petit Verdot is a beautiful expression of the variety. Deep dark layers of purple color. It starts with aromas of dark fruits: blackberries, black cherry and ripe juicy black plum. The palate is lovely, rich, and spicy. There is integrated plum and cassis fruit, again with a spicy quality. Very drinkable for such a huge wine!