

MATERRA

CUNAT FAMILY VINEYARDS

2012 RIGHT BANK

<i>appellation</i>	Oak Knoll District, Napa Valley
<i>varietal</i>	96% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Petit Verdot, 1% Malbec
<i>alcohol</i>	14.5 %
<i>bottling date</i>	September 2014
<i>case production</i>	1,180
<i>winemakers</i>	Michael Trujillo & Bruce Regalia
<i>suggested retail price</i>	\$50

the 2012 vintage

By all accounts, an outstanding growing season for the Napa Valley yielded a plentiful harvest of ripe and flavorful fruit across all varietals and sub-appellations. Many vineyards produced record yields with harvest timing decisions made by the flavor and ripeness of the grapes, not on impending weather. This vintage saw near-perfect spring bud break, steady flowering and fruit set, and ideally consistent weather with fog in the mornings, sunny warm days and cool nights. "Mother Nature smiled upon the California wine harvest this year with a bountiful crop of amazing quality," a sentiment heard from winemakers across the Napa Valley.

accolades

88; 2015 Wine Spectator

winemaking notes

With a backbone of our estate-grown Merlot, this classic Right Bank blend exhibits dense plum, sweet rhubarb pie, cinnamon, spice (and everything nice). With a uniquely floral nose, bright red fruit, and firm tannins, this well-balanced wine will continue to age nicely over the next 7-10 years. Pair with root vegetables, pot roast, wild boar, smoked meats and cheese like gouda, goat and sheep's milk.

