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LONG MEADOW RANCH
WINERY

NAPA VALLEY



2012 SANGIOVESE MAYACAMAS ESTATE NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD: Estate Bottled

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Sangiovese

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

COOPERAGE: 100% neutral French oak

CASE PRODUCTION: 112

FOOD AFFINITIES: Fresh pasta and LMR grass-fed beef ragu or oven-roasted carrots with tarragon

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS:

"Long Meadow Ranch's 2012 Mayacamas Estate Sangiovese shows off the charm of its terroir. The grapes were estate-grown on an appropriately exposed mountain block during a moderate and dry growing season. The relatively late picking date (hang time) promoted concentrated fruit and soft tannins without compromising the varietal vibrancy and perfume. The nose is full of red fruits and floral character accompanied by anise, cinnamon, clove and cocoa powder notes. The palate is structured by the wine's acidity, but grows more rich in the glass. Layers of cherry, plum and raspberry lead to a finish that is classically Sangiovese with mouthwatering red fruits and subtle notes of dried roses, toasted brioche, and chocolate. The wine has just enough chewy tannins to lend persistence to the complex flavors."

– Ashley Heisey

GROWING SEASON:

2012 was the third consecutive cool and late growing season. Winter ended with moderate rainfall in March, giving us a long growing season which led to richer flavor development. We opened the vine canopies to ensure sunlight, warmth and good air circulation around the grape clusters. The night-harvested grapes retained their enticing aromas and naturally pleasing acidity all the way to the bottle.

LONG MEADOW RANCH:

Owned by Ted, Laddie, and Christopher Hall, LMR employs an integrated, organic farming system, using simple, sustainable methods. Each part of the Ranch contributes to the health of the whole. Vineyards and wine making, olive orchards and olive oil making, cattle and horse breeding all work together in complementary fashion, as do the egg-laying poultry flock and the organic vegetable gardens. All crops are certified organic by California Certified Organic Farmers (CCOF) and are grown without the use of herbicides, pesticides, or chemical fertilizers.