

# Nice Wines

## Testamento Petit Verdot

### About the Wine

Eight years ago, we partnered with a great farmer, Manuel Otero Ramos, to produce our Nice Sauvignon Blanc. Out of this partnership, we created an award winning Cabernet Sauvignon that we named Testamento, the Spanish word describing the legacy you leave behind. We joked that Manuel should experiment with making a 100% Petit Verdot from the small amount of Verdot he had planted in his vineyard for blending purposes. Little did we know, Manuel took that as a challenge from us to see if he actually could do it. Two years ago, he surprised us with the fruits of his labor- and let us barrel sample the 100% Verdot out of the French Oak. It was inky, black, full bodied and delicious.

Two additional years of aging have served to refine and soften this powerful beast. We bottled the wine under our Testamento brand that we share with Manuel. In comparison to the Testamento Cabernet Sauvignon, this wine is aged much longer in oak and in the bottle to allow for both oxidative and reductive maturity of the wine. We know you will enjoy the sheer richness of this rare wine. It will stain the sides of your glass, paint your teeth purple, color your lips, and delight your senses.

We suggest enjoying this wine with strong cheeses such as Gorgonzola or Roquefort. It also pairs well with a marbled cut of steak and rich sauces like béarnaise or hollandaise. We suggest decanting this wine for one hour prior to serving for optimal flavor. We anticipate that the wine will age nicely through 2022.

**Tasting notes:** Black plum, cherry marmalade, dark chocolate, tobacco, spices, smoky hints. Ripe tannins, toasted coffee grains, pepper and vanilla.

### About Ryan and Ian

Certified Sommeliers, Wine Educators and Le Cordon Bleu trained Chefs Ryan Levy and Ian Eastveld are the “foodie superduo” behind The Nice Winery. Their chef-driven wines have been featured in



Wine Enthusiast, won 94 point ratings and gold medals, and are featured on top wine lists. When not making their hand-crafted wines, the chefs teach about wine and food at their Houston winery and tasting studio.



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