



Bottled with love, for the joy of living.

WINEMAKER
Michael Muscardini

CASES PRODUCED
498

HARVESTED
October 15, 2011

BOTTLED
September 4, 2012

ALCOHOL
14.7%

2011 SANGIOVESE

CYPRESS RANCH
POPE VALLEY, NAPA COUNTY

VINEYARD

Cypress Ranch in Pope Valley lies high above Napa County where Pat Garvey is one of the best growers in Napa. This ranch has a small block of Brunello clone Sangiovese. Pope Valley is considered the last frontier of the Napa Valley. Cypress Ranch is a wonderland for grape growing.

The ranch reaches 1200 feet in elevation at its highest point, further heightening the dramatic nature of the vineyard site and intensifying the fruit flavors of the grapes.

VINTAGE

2011 was a challenging year and we were lucky to be able to find this vineyard, which is high and dry in the Pope Valley.

WINEMAKING

All 8.56 tons were handpicked, rushed to the winery and cold soaked for three days. We used BM-45 premium yeast to ferment, the same yeast used on the great Brunello wines from Italy.

TASTING NOTES

The wine has complex aromas of wild berries, lavender roasted black walnuts, mountain herbs and spicy cedar. Rich flavors of ripe red berries, cherry, boysenberry, dark chocolate, clove and a drizzle of balsamic. This is a very focused wine with supple tannins and a long lingering finish.

AWARDS

2014 LA International Wine Comp: Gold, 93 points, Best of Class

Drink now or cellar for five years.

Enjoy ~

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