



2012 Pianetta Merlot

Pianetta Vineyards and Winery began with the cultivation of a parcel of land in the Indian Valley area of San Miguel purchased by John Pianetta in 1995. Over the next several years John and his daughter Caitlin have created an estate vineyard and boutique winery to highlight the flavors and bold characteristics in the Southern Monterey and Paso Robles AVAs. All of their wines are both site & vineyard specific order to help highlight the unique growing areas and present the influence that farming can have on each wine. From grape to the glass, we invite you to enjoy the Pianetta Wines.

WINEMAKER NOTES

-Spice and mild plum dominate the nose with pepper and hints of smoke in the background. Our inaugural vintage of Merlot is a lighter medium bodied wine highlighted by structure and body. Solid acidity and tannin round out the finish of this wine. J.P.

VINTAGE NOTES

-2012 boasted a more normal growing year and above average fruit quality for our area. We still had a lower than average rainfall, but not as drastic as previous years. There were no severe growing issues during the spring or over the summer, as we moved into the pre- harvest months. There were some heat spikes in the latter part of the summer, which caused some shortage in our crop loads, but overall, we are very happy with the quality and fruit intensity we received across the board in 2012 with our varietals.



WINE STATISTICS 2012

Varietals	Merlot
Vineyard	Pleasant Ridge
AVA	Paso Robles
Harvest Date	10/27/12
Brix (at harvest)	23
Alcohol	13.17%
pH	3.7
RS	.37
Barreling	100% Used French
Barrel Aging	19 Months
Filtering/Fining	None/None
Bottled	5/29/14
Production	212 Cases
Release Date	8/2014
Suggested Retail	\$n/a