

# CYRUS Vertical

## **Wood Case**

In 1995 founder Hank Wetzel created a wine that was a tribute to Cyrus Alexander and the very special place that AVV calls home; a wine that is now known as the *First Growth of Sonoma*.

Today winemaker Kevin Hall carries on the tradition selecting our most distinctive lots of estate Bordeaux grapes for CYRUS: Cabernet Sauvignon with exceptional concentration, purity & lush texture; Cabernet Franc with finesse & depth; Merlot for concentration & structure; Petit Verdot for vivid color & richness and Malbec for deep color & depth.

One bottle of each vintage packaged in a limited production wood collector's case.



This six vintage vertical showcases the excellence of the Wetzel Family Estate along with unique differences of each vintage!

#### 2012: Plush

Wine Advocate - 93 points
Wine Enthusiast - 90 points
CA State Fair - 95 points, Best of Class of Region
Gold Medal - Orange County Wine Competition
Gold Medal - San Francisco International Wine Competition
76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 12% Merlot, 7% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petit Verdot, 2% Malbec

#### 2011: Elegant, expressive

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#### 2010: Lush, structured

Wine Enthusiast - 92 points The Tasting Panel - 90 points Beverage Dynamics - 97 points

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#### 2008: Rich, concentrated

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Rodeo Uncorked! Champion Wine Auction Record Selling wine: *Sold for \$215,000* 55% Cabernet Sauvignon, 28% Merlot, 7% Malbec, 6% Cabernet Franc, 4% Petit Verdot

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