TRINCHERO
NAPA VALLEY

Est. 1948

2012 MALBEC
HAYSTACK VINEYARD
ATLAS PEAK
NAPA VALLEY

VINEYARD INFORMATION

This estate vineyard, nestled in Atlas Peak, is named for the iconic flat-topped, haystack-like hill which marks this growing region from afar. Atlas Peak is Napa Valley's highest appellation and sits 2,200 feet above sea level in the Vaca Mountains. This craggy, extremely rocky site stresses the vines, resulting in small, intensely concentrated berries and low yields. Only 6 acres of this vineyard is planted to Malbec.

2012 GROWING SEASON

The 2012 growing season began with an early budbreak and mild weather in the spring made for a heavy berry set. We had beautiful, consistent warm days throughout the growing season coupled with cool nights and foggy mornings ensuring good, slow ripeness. The phenolic maturity was in unison with sugar ripening. The warm fall with very little rain made for a harvest without incident. The resulting wines have beautiful balance and depth.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

"Our Haystack Malbec offers a unique varietal not often found in the Napa Valley. The wine showcases juicy black fruit and floral aromatics beautifully balanced by rich, dark fruit and licorice flavors. It has a very round and soft mouthfeel not typically associated with mountain fruit."

— Mario Monticelli

VARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Malbec

HARVEST DATES: October 4-15, 2012

COOPERAGE: 19 months, 100% French oak (75% new)

RELEASE DATE: March 2015

ALC: 14.5% │ PH: 3.85 │ TA: 6.2 g/L

CASES PRODUCED: 250

SUGGESTED RETAIL: $50

Wines bearing the Trinchero Napa Valley label are luxury class, single–vineyard, wines from our Napa Valley estates. Each is carefully handcrafted and produced in limited quantities. We source our grapes from more than 100 acres of estate vineyards in prime Napa Valley appellations, including St. Helena, Mount Veeder, Rutherford and Atlas Peak. The Trinchero family has been making wine in the Napa Valley since 1948, and Trinchero Napa Valley serves to honor the legacy of founder Mario Trinchero.