

CALIFORNIA'S FIRST PREMIUM WINERY

SINCE 1857



Buena Vista Winery

VINICULTURAL SOCIETY

2016
VALDIGUIE
SONOMA COUNTY

The Buena Vista Vinicultural Society, formed in 1863 by the winery's founder, Count Agoston Haraszthy to further improve its winemaking prowess and expand its vineyards, has been restored as a collection of unique small-production wines that honor the winery's pioneering spirit and contribution to California winemaking.

The Vinicultural Society explores clonal selections, varietals and the incredible terroir of Sonoma County. In keeping with the adventurous spirit of Buena Vista's founding, we are proud to bring you this rare 2016 Valdiguié, a varietal formerly known as Napa Gamay and an ancestor of Malbec.

These grapes were harvested on September 26th from an old, head-trained vineyard in Knight's Valley in Sonoma County. This wine was made in the same style as Pinot Noir and did not undergo carbonic maceration as most Beaujolais and Valdeguie do. This wine was fermented in open top fermenters before being aged 9 months in 100% French oak, 25% new, to produce a full and smooth texture.

A deep purple color, our 2016 Count's Selection Valdiguié offers an intriguing bouquet of jammy plum and flint. Broad flavors of black cherry, brambleberry and wild raspberry broadly drape across the palate. Medium-bodied with bright acidity and a plush mouthfeel, this wine is immediately enjoyable.

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.52

Total Acidity: 5.9

Aging: 9 months in 100% French oak barrels, 25% new

