Jonquil Vineyards

Pope Valley, California

NORD VINEYARDS

The shallow, non-serpentine soils at this Pope Valley site in the Napa Valley's northeast corner promote big, full-bodied, luscious wines. Jonquil ("daffodil") also showcases the Nord family's committment to preservation and sustainability as the vineyards sit among wildflowers, huge gnarled oak trees, and native American cultural sites.

SITE CHARACTERISTICS

- A complex landscape of hills and creeks, with blocks carefully matched to topography
- Soils are Pleasonton loam with areas of Bressa-Dibble complex
- Climate is similar to Calistoga, with warm, sunny summer days
- Ample water suppy allows frost protection and careful irrigation when needed

SUSTAINABILITY

- Streambank erosion sites restored with natural structures: willow revetments and rock barbs
- A wetland was created providing wildlife habitat
- No-till floors of clovers and annual grasses protect the soil from erosion
- Plow-down cover crops add organic matter and a source of nitrogen

PLANTINGS

- Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Sirah, Sauvignon Blanc, Merlot
- Cabernet clones include 337, 191, 24, 2, 4, and 8
- Rootstocks include 101-14, 110R, 3309, and 1103P
- Trellising: VSP and split canopy
- Plantings made in 2001
- Row orientations are northeast-southwest, with good protection of the fruit zone

Nord Vineyards: Sustaining Napa Valley's legacy of world-class wine.

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VINEYARD DATA

BLOCK	VARIETY	CLONE	ROOT-STOCK	SPACING	ACRES	YEAR PLANTED
A1	CABERNET SAUVIGNON	8	101-14	10 x 4.5	9	2001
A2	SAUVIGNON BLANC	7	101-14	10 x 4.5	5	2006
A3	CABERNET SAUVIGNON	337	101-14	10 x 4.5	2	2001
A4	PETITE SIRAH	3	110R, StG	10 x 4.5	5	2001
A5	CABERNET SAUVIGNON	4	110R	7 x 5	6	2001
A6	CABERNET SAUVIGNON	191	110R	7 x 5	3	2001
A7	CABERNET SAUVIGNON	24	3309	7 x 5	2	2001
A8	CABERNET SAUVIGNON	2	3309	7 x 5	2	2001
B1	CABERNET SAUVIGNON	4	110R	7 x 6.5	1	2001
B2	CABERNET SAUVIGNON	337	101-14	7 x 6.5	9	2001
B3	PETITE SIRAH	3	110R	7 x 6.5	9	2001
C	SAUVIGNON BLANC	1	101-14	9 x 5	8	2001
D	MERLOT	181	3309	7 x 5	6	2001
E1	SAUVIGNON BLANC	1	1103P	7 x 5	2	2004
E2	PETITE SIRAH	3	St. George	7 x 5	3	2004

DIRECTIONS:

From the Silverado Trail in Napa Valley, travel east on Deer Park Rd (becomes Howell Mountain Rd) for 9.9 miles passing through the town of Angwin. At Chiles Pope Valley Rd. in Pope Valley bear right, and the vineyard entrance is on the left after 0.15 miles.