



VOLKER EISELE

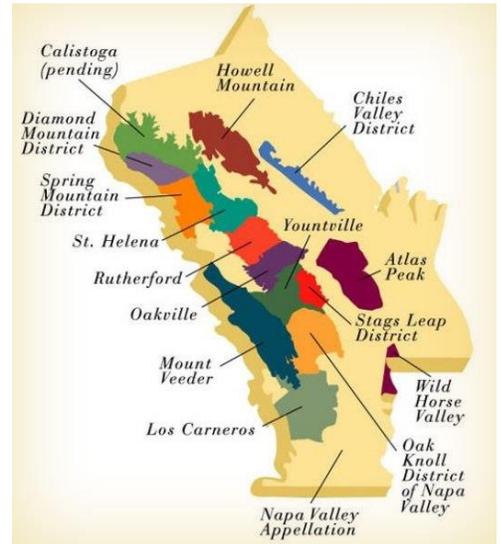
FAMILY ESTATE

"...Unmistakable elegance and impeccable balance." — Robert Parker Jr.

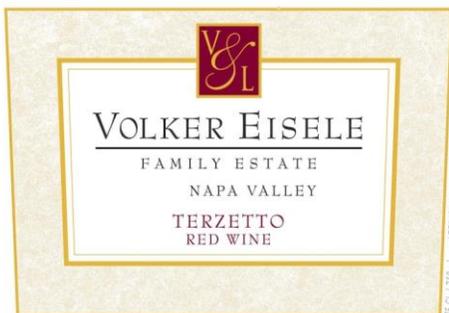
Volker Eisele Family Estate is situated in the Chiles Valley District, one of sixteen grape growing appellations within the Napa Valley Viticultural Area. The Estate has been family owned and organically farmed since 1974.

Cloaked in frequent Pacific fog, Chiles Valley is one of the cooler areas of the Napa Valley resulting in a long growing season. The valley's perfect cabernet climate enhances the development of wines with subtle flavors, full body, and overall complexity.

The Estate's sixty acres of vineyard grow at elevations of 900 to 1100 ft on east, west and south facing slopes as well as on the valley floor. Soils vary from clay-loam to shale. After purchase of the vineyard property, the Eiseles began an extensive redevelopment and restoration of both the vineyard acreage and the riparian corridors. Presently, the vineyard is planted to 75% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Merlot, 5% Cabernet Franc, 2% Semillon and 10% Sauvignon Blanc. Seven different Cabernet clones have been incorporated to provide diversity of flavor.



Since 1974, the Eiseles have enriched the vineyard soils through use of organic farming practices. No herbicides, pesticides or chemical fertilizers have been used. The vineyard is certified as organic by both the California Certified Organic Farmers and the California Department of Food and Agriculture. It has been set back from the property's creeks to substantially increase riparian vegetation. Oaks and other native tree species have been planted on the creek banks to prevent erosion. Throughout the property creeks and associated riparian areas have been protected and enhanced.



2016 "TERZETTO"

COMPOSITION: 1/3 Cabernet Sauvignon, 1/3 Merlot, 1/3 Cabernet Franc co-fermented

AVA: Chiles Valley District, Napa Valley

OAK AGING: 22 months in 60% new French oak barrels from Treuil cooperage (i.e. Allier and Tronçais). The wine is un-fined and lightly filtered.

ORGANIC: All fruit is organically grown in our estate vineyard.

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

This is a wine of elegance and finesse that fulfills our intentions; to reflect the style of wine that typifies Bordeaux varietals without any one dominating. The grapes from each varietal going into this dynamic wine are selected from specific areas throughout the vineyard based on meticulous planning and consistent farming techniques to encourage synchronous ripening. When the intersection of the three varietals' ripeness is optimized, all varietals are picked and fermented together.

Tasting Notes:

The wine is a rich, deep burgundy in the glass, with perfumed aromas of malted milk chocolate, black plum, and red cherry, with hints of saddle leather and wild fennel. The tannins are elegant and long, framing layered flavors of dark chocolate, ripe cherries, espresso, black currant, and the sweet spiciness of a black mission fig. ~Molly Lyman, Winemaker

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92 POINTS

This offers some intense and rich aromas of blackcurrants with violet-like florals and blackberries. The palate offers a smooth, bold and balanced array of ripe dark plums and long, succulent tannins. A blend of cabernet sauvignon, cabernet franc and merlot.