



Fred's (Peterson) Vintaged View

When Doug Lipton and Cindy Daniel approached me a few years ago regarding what type of grapes to plant in their Dry Creek Valley organic farm, I raised the idea of growing a field-blend of Muscat Blanc and Orange Muscat. They liked the idea and after working with them to get the vineyard up and producing, I jumped at the chance to make a wine from their Muscat grapes.

The Muscat de Beaugues de Venise from the Rhone Valley region in France has long been a favorite of mine. The beauty of a Muscat Blanc produced in the Beaugues de Venise style is its versatility. Although it is high in alcohol and residual sugar, the wine never takes on the cloying characteristic of a late harvest wine. The strongly floral aromatics blend with the exotic flavors to create a delicious wine that is a perfect treat on a warm sunny day or by the glow of a winter fire.

Tasting Notes

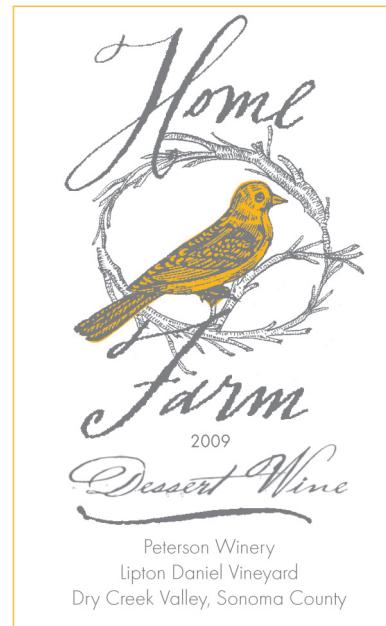
Dessert in a glass, what could be more perfect. Just the right fit when you are longing for the perfect complement to a delicious meal. Everyone is satiated, yet longing for something to complete an ideal dining experience. Chocolate is too heavy, fruit is too light. A dessert wine—the right dessert wine—is just what you need.

Beautifully integrated, seductive aromas of juicy apricots and caramel lead into an opulent texture, likened to drinking velvet. The palate reveals peach and apricot cobbler with layers of toasty vanillin oak and a hint of almond. The alcohol tempers the richness of the wine, and as dessert concludes, all are satisfied.

Vineyard

The Lipton Daniel Muscat vineyard occupies just a portion of the organic orchard that surrounds Doug and Cindy's home in the heart of Dry Creek Valley. Planted to Muscat Blanc (85%) and Orange Muscat (15%), the vines are head trained and farmed to produce the most aromatic, intensely Muscat flavored grapes.

2009 HOME FARM MUSCAT BLANC LIPTON DANIEL VINEYARD DRY CREEK VALLEY



Technical Data

Composition:	100% Dry Creek Valley	
	<u>Varietal Breakdown</u>	<u>Harvest Dates</u>
	87% Muscat Blanc	Sept. 15, 2009
	13% Orange Muscat	Sept. 15, 2009
Appellation:	Lipton Daniel Vineyard Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County	
Alcohol:	17.9%	
R.S.	14.2%	
pH:	3.65	
TA:	0.49g/100ml	
Barrel Aging:	6 weeks in new French oak barrels, 18 months in stainless steel	
Bottling Date:	May 17, 2011	
Production:	40 cases (375ml)	
Release Date:	November 2011	