

PETERSON WINERY



DRY CREEK VALLEY

2003 MUSCAT BLANC

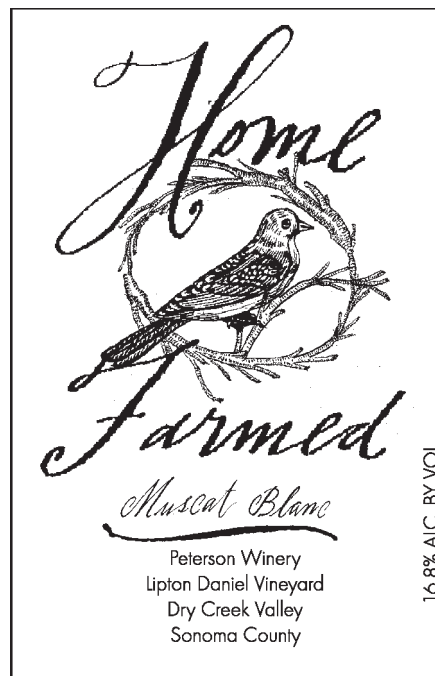
LIPTON DANIEL VINEYARD

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Fred's 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 Beaumes 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 Beaumes 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 of peach, lychee nut, melon and honeysuckle to create a delicious wine that is a perfect treat on a warm sunny day or by the glow of a winter fire.



Technical Data:

Composition:	87% Muscat Blanc 13% Orange Muscat
Appellation:	Lipton Daniel Vineyard Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County
Harvest Date:	Sept. 26, 2003
Alcohol:	16.8%
R.S.	11.5%
pH:	3.72
TA:	4.0g/100ml
Bottling Date:	July 21, 2004
Production:	93 cases (375ml)
Release Date:	October 2004

Tasting Notes:

The Muscat aromatics are reminiscent of an orange grove in spring when orange blossom perfume fills the air. The taste takes you a step further, with aromatics joining flavors of ripe nectarines and apricots blended with exotic fruits and honeysuckle. The acidity seamlessly balances with the high sugar, allowing the wine to be served as a summer aperitif or as a delicious dessert paired with warm peach cobbler and fresh whipped cream.

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.

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