



DONELAN FAMILY WINES

## 2012 Sonoma County Venus Roussanne

This vintage gave us the chance to highlight the full flavors that Roussanne is capable of, even after a mere 10 months in barrel. Since working with the Roussanne from Drystrack Vineyard, we have never seen the wine so expressive so early on. This wine is proof that Roussanne based wines can age. Going on 10+ years old, this wine is just as vibrant as it was three years ago. It was made for the long haul. The 2012 Venus is angular enough to require food, but it's anything but a chore to drink. On the nose, a small splash of Viognier brings Meyer lemon, oregano, kiwi, and kumquat into a fresh bouquet. Honeyed creme brûlée confection and wet stone also flood the senses. It's supple and mouth-coating with great acidity. This wine delivers beauty and elegance on the palate with intriguing structure.

### *Vineyard Notes:*

#### **Location**

2012 provided us with favorable growing conditions in Bennett Valley. This vintage comprises of 62% Drystack Vineyard Roussanne and 35% Vivio Vineyard Roussanne, with 3% Kobler Family Vineyard Viognier.

### *Cellar Notes:*

#### **Percentage New Oak**

None

#### **Composition**

97% Roussanne, 3% Viognier

#### **Barrel Aging**

10 months

#### **Alcohol**

12.5%

#### **Bottling Date**

September 6, 2013

#### **Production**

300 cases

*-Native Ferment/Native ML*

