

# REVANA



Dr. Madaiah Revana was bitten by the wine bug early in his medical career. After spending years travelling, collecting and enjoying the fine wines of Europe and California he became interested in purchasing a vineyard. Setting his sights high Dr. Revana sought out the assistance of renowned Vineyard Manager Jim Barbour (of Hundred Acre fame amongst others) to assist in finding and planting a property. In 1997 Dr. Revana purchased two separate parcels in the north east section of St. Helena in Napa Valley combining them to make one vineyard and Revana was born.

In 1998 Jim planted the 9 acre estate after detailed soil and environmental analysis. The vineyard is planted in 9 different blocks to a variety of Cabernet clones and a small portion of Petit Verdot to take advantage of the unique, deep, free draining, alluvial gravel soils of this section of St. Helena. This portion of the upper valley benefits from moderate temperatures, a combination of warm days and cool nights, without the foggy mornings found in the lower valley or the extreme heat of Calistoga to the north.

Continuing Dr. Revana's quest to produce exceptional wines he has hired a brilliant winemaking team. From the first vintage in 2001 Heidi Barrett (of Screaming Eagle, Dalla Valle and Amuse Bouche fame) and from 2010 Thomas Brown (Wine and Spirits 2010 Winemaker of the year) the winemaking has been handled by some of Napa's brightest stars. That said the winemaking is firmly about realizing the potential of the site and the soils. Brown eschews intervention, preferring a classical approach utilizing natural yeasts and gentle maceration to yield wines of purity, depth, character and elegance.

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