



2015

Sonoma County

petite sirah

winemaker notes

VARIETY: 100% petite sirah
APPELLATION: Sonoma County AVA
DEGREES BRIX AT HARVEST: 29.9
P.H: 3.50
ALCOHOL: 15.2%
CELLAR RECOMMENDATION: Enjoy this wine through 2030

VINIFICATION NOTES: The petite sirah grapes for this rich and alluring wine were sourced from Lily Hill Vineyard and Big River Ranch. Pumpovers were performed twice daily, and the fermentations were processed in two separate tanks. To ensure supple tannins, the wine was pressed just before dryness, which allows us to achieve a more elegant style of petite sirah, while maintaining the richness of the varietal. Aging occurred in French and American oak barrels. 20% of these barrels were new.

SENSORY NOTES: From its deep, inky-purple color to its luxurious aromas of huckleberry, purple flowers, sweet oak and dark fruit, this is a rich and mesmerizing wine. The brooding dark fruit is echoed on the plush palate, where it mingles with layers of tar, wood smoke and savory spice—all underscored by rich, velvety tannins.

VINEYARD DETAILS:

CLONE: Clone 3, one unknown	SOIL TYPE: Clay, heavy and sandy loam	ELEVATION: 40 feet and 300 feet
VINE SPACING: 6x8	YIELD PER ACRE: 1.8 tons	ROOTSTOCK: 110R and 101-14
YEAR PLANTED: 2002 and 2005	TRELLISING STYLE: Cordon	IRRIGATION: Minimal drip

CASES PRODUCED: 290 cases

RETAIL PRICE: \$48

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