

Sawyer Vineyard Dry Creek Valley 2013 Petite Sirah



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OF DRY CREEK



The expression of a favored vineyard, these Petite Sirah vines dig roots into an unusually deep hillside, with topsoil consisting of alluvial and volcanic composite soils. This topography allows the vines a slow, even rate of maturity despite the warm western exposure. Sawyer vineyard has a preferred bench-land location in Dry Creek Valley. Hand-harvested and fermented in open-top vats with three daily punch downs, this wine is aged in French and American oak barrels for approximately 18 months.

TECHNICAL DATA

Aspect: Southeastern

Planted: 1998

Harvested: September 2013

Clone: Frei Ranch Century

Rootstock: 110R-Foppiano

Trellis: Vertically Trellised

Composition: 85% Petite Sirah, 15% Zinfandel

Alcohol: 14.6

Total Acidity: .68 gm/100ml

pH: 3.69

Cases Produced: 148

TASTING NOTES

Subtle aromatics of blackberry and creamy mocha are sprinkled with black pepper and striations of oak. The richly laden, smooth texture offers an opulent blend of blackberry, dark cherry and plum. Delicious dark cocoa and coffee gently seep into the luscious fruit as the flavors caress the palate. This well-balanced, multidimensional wine is still young, yet so accessible with much to offer.

Enjoy this Petite with a pan-seared duck breast with a savory blackberry sauce, Cajun chicken stew, or your favorite chocolate temptation.