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2004 PETITE SIRAH

DRY CREEK VALLEY

Fred's (Peterson) Vintaged Views Notes:

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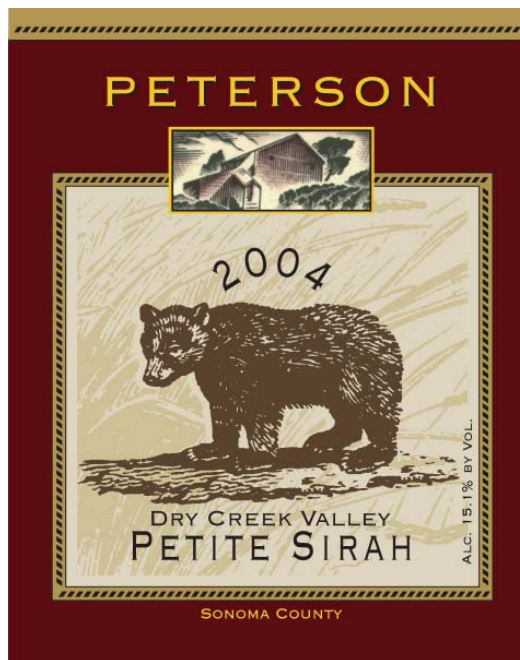
Tasting Notes:

Seductive with its inky rich color, powerful aromas and robust flavors, our '04 Petite Sirah is completely irresistible. The intense aromas of freshly picked, perfectly ripened blackberries blend with hints of cocoa and freshly roasted coffee. The smooth, velvety flavors of concentrated black raspberry and blackberry layer over dark chocolate while hints of coffee and vanilla complete the seduction. This wine tops the danger scale—the danger is running out of it!

Vineyards:

Our 2004 Petite Sirah is a blend of grapes from West Vineyard and Norton Ranch, both located in Dry Creek Valley, and Tollini Vineyard in Mendocino County.

The **West Vineyard** site is a little above the valley floor on the benchland of Dry Creek Valley. The soil at the West Vineyard has a larger percentage of clay and gravel resulting in lower yields of intensely flavored and balanced fruit. The Petite Sirah from West Vineyard ... [do we want to talk about the Tollini Vineyard since it is outside of DCV? Should we just focus on the two DCV vineyards?]



Technical Data:

Composition:

<i>Varietal Breakdown:</i>	<i>Harvest Dates:</i>
76% Petite Sirah	Sept. 13, 2004
13% Carignane	Sept. 27, 2004
11% Mourvèdre	Sept. 10, 2004

Appellation: Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

Alcohol: 15.1%

pH: 3.72

TA: 0.60g/100ml

Barrel Aging: 19 months

Type of Oak: 76% new American oak barrels
24% 3 to 8-year-old mixed oak barrels

Bottling Date: July 14, 2006

Production: 175 cases

Release Date: April 2008