

# PETERSON WINERY



DRY CREEK VALLEY

## 2005 ZERO MANIPULATION RED TABLE WINE

### Fred's Vintaged View:

The 2005 Zero is again a Rhone blend, with delicious, easy-to-drink flavors. Building on its solid core of juicy old vine Carignane fruit, we blended in 8% Mataro (a.k.a. Mourvèdre) from the Norton Vineyard in Dry Creek Valley. The Mourvèdre brings some candied fruit to the palate as well as a hint of earthiness in the nose. The Petite Sirah, from West Vineyard in Dry Creek Valley, gives the blend a richness along with solid acids and tannins to strengthen its backbone.

As always, this wine is “easy to use and cheap to operate.”

### Technical Data:

Composition: 87% Carignane, Wildvine Vineyard,  
Mendocino  
8% Mourvèdre, Norton Ranch,  
Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County  
5% Petite Sirah, West Vineyard,  
Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

Appellation: Mendocino

Harvest Date: Oct. 20, 2005 (Carignane)  
Oct. 7, 2005 (Mourvèdre)  
Oct. 25, 2005 (Petite Sirah)

Alcohol: 13.2%

pH: 3.45

TA: 0.65g/100ml

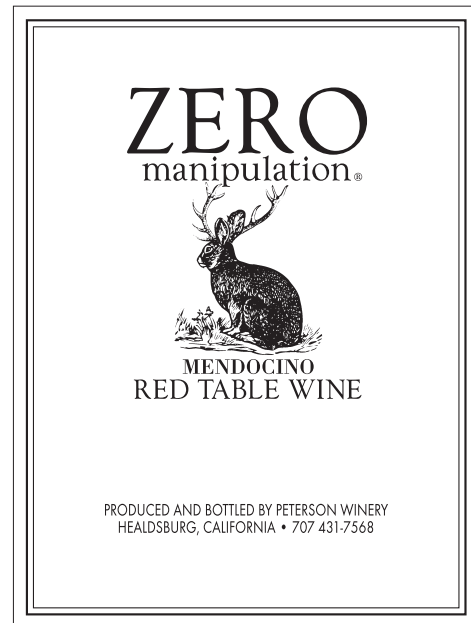
Barrel Aging: 13 months

Type of Oak: 90% 4-6 year-old French & American oak  
barrels, 10% new American oak barrels

Bottling Date: November 9, 2006

Production: 900 cases

Release Date: April 2007



### Tasting Notes:

Wonderful aromas of dusty cherries with hints of vanillin oak grace this easy-to-quaff wine. This medium-bodied, well-balanced cuvée provides bright, clean flavors of dark berries, plum and spicy strawberry with hints of leather and vanilla. Our Zero Manipulation goes down easy, blending with after-work gatherings, weekday cuisine and weekend barbeques, outings and picnics. A simple solution to the question, ‘What’s for dinner tonight?’ — Zero.

### Primary Vineyard:

Wildvine Vineyard

This traditional head-trained, dry-farmed Carignane vineyard was planted by Alvin Tollini's father when he returned from the service after World War II. The gravely well-drained soil of this southwest-facing benchland site produces fruit with intense color and great depth of flavor.

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