

# PETERSON WINERY



DRY CREEK VALLEY

## 2004 ZINFANDEL

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### Fred's Vintaged View:

Though all of our Zinfandels are made from Dry Creek Valley grapes, our Dry Creek blend, as we refer to it, is a wine that we hope reflects the overall Dry Creek Valley Zinfandel *terroir*, as opposed to a single-vineyard character. It's also the Zinfandel that contains the highest percentages of blending varietals to give the wine maximum spice and an "in your face" quality.

Our 2004 Dry Creek blend is a very food-friendly wine with 12% Carignane in the blend, as well as 3% Petite Sirah and 3% Mourvèdre to give the wine more complexity and depth of flavors. This vintage was a big, soft, fruit-forward year, which is reflected in most of our 2004 wines. Accompanying the jammy fruit, you'll find a well-balanced wine with a nice structure, good tannins and delicious fruit flavors. Enjoy!

### Technical Data:

#### Composition:

Varietal Breakdown:	Harvest Dates:
82% Zinfandel	
55% West Vineyard	Sept. 6, 2004
45% Funsten Vineyard	Sept. 2, 2004
12% Carignane-Wildvine Vnyd	Sept. 27, 2004
3% Petite Sirah-West Vineyard	Sept. 13, 2004
3% Mourvèdre-Norton Ranch	Sept. 10, 2004

Appellation: Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

Alcohol: 15.3%

pH: 3.68

TA: 0.62g/100ml

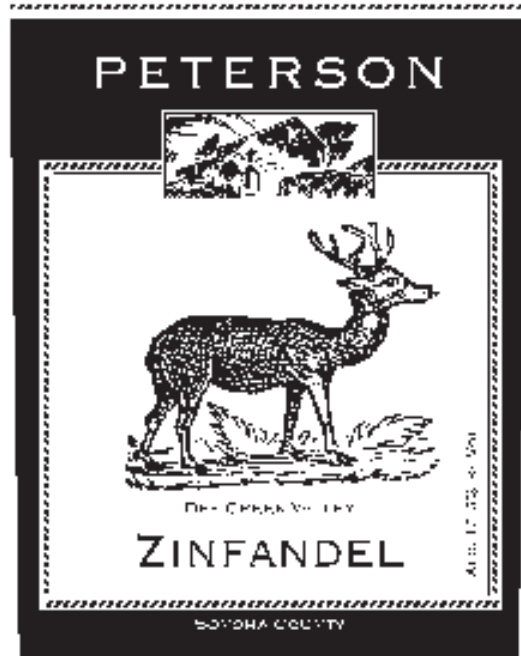
Barrel Aging: 13 months

Type of Oak: 15% new Hungarian oak barrels,  
85% 2-4 year-old oak barrels

Bottling Date: November 10, 2005

Production: 450 cases

Release Date: January 2007



### Tasting Notes:

Balanced, rich and velvety smooth, our '04 Dry Creek Valley Zinfandel offers inviting aromas of raspberry, black pepper and sweet vanillin oak. Jammy flavors of cherry, plum and raspberry with a dollop of vanilla flow through the palate. Hints of black pepper and baking spices merge with the jammy fruit flavors to create a full, luscious mouthfeel and a long-lasting finish.

### Vineyards:

#### West Vineyard

The West Vineyard sits 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.

#### Funsten Vineyard

The Funsten Vineyard sits a little above the valley floor on the benchland of Dry Creek Valley. The soil also has a larger percentage of clay and gravel resulting in lower yields of intensely flavored and balanced fruit.

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