

# PETERSON WINERY



## 1999 AGRARIA

### BIG BARN RED

BRADFORD MOUNTAIN VINEYARD, DRY CREEK VALLEY

#### Technical Data:

Composition: 100% Bradford Mountain Vineyard

<i>Varietal Breakdown:</i>	<i>Harvest Dates:</i>
77% Cabernet Franc	Oct. 18, 1999
15% Cabernet Sauvignon	Oct. 18, 1999
4% Merlot	Oct. 8, 1999
4% Petit Verdot	Oct. 18, 1999

Appellation: Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County  
Bradford Mountain Vineyard

Alcohol: 13.9%

pH: 3.54

TA: 0.68g/100ml

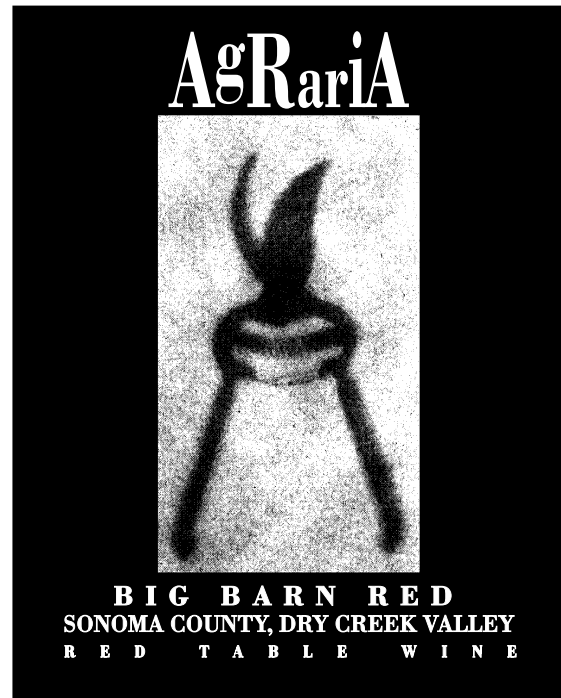
Barrel Aging: 22 months

Type of Oak: 75% new French oak  
25% 1-2 yr-old French oak

Bottling Date: August 16, 2001

Production: 250 cases

Release Date: October 2003



#### Tasting Notes:

The seductive depth and enticing fruit flavors in our 1999 Agraria reflect the distinctive terroir of Bradford Mountain. This blend has all the intensity, complexity and layers of a fine Cabernet, combined with the unique taste sensations found when Cabernet Franc, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Petit Verdot are skillfully blended together.

Deliciously chewy tannins complement flavors of ripe dark-skinned berries, currants, plums and a lovely hint of cedar. Robust yet smooth, drinkable now yet fully age worthy, this intriguing wine offers a broad array of taste experiences.

#### Vineyard:

Bradford Mountain Estate Vineyard, on the western edge of Dry Creek Valley, is 32 acres on the very top of the mountain (elevation 1000 feet) planted in the 1980s. Great pains were taken to search for the proper varietals and clones to plant in the mineral-rich mountain soil. Well-drained, red-clay soil, combined with sunny days and cool nights produce small, intensely flavored grapes with a higher acidity and a lower pH than valley fruit. These grapes are picked at a higher sugar to achieve the perfect balance for exceptional wines.