

PETERSON WINERY



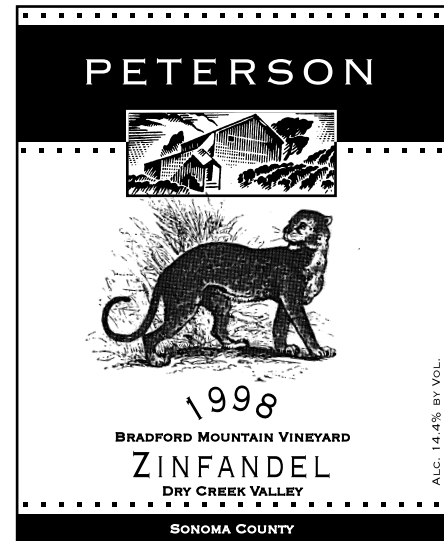
1998 ZINFANDEL

BRADFORD MOUNTAIN VINEYARD

DRY CREEK VALLEY

Technical Data:

Composition:	100% Zinfandel - Bradford Mountain Vineyard
Appellation:	Bradford Mountain Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County
Harvest Dates:	Oct. 20 & 22, 1998
Alcohol:	14.6%
pH:	3.47
TA:	0.61g/100ml
Barrel Aging:	19 months
Type of Oak:	25% new French & American oak 75% 1-4 yr-old French & American oak
Bottling Date:	June 8, 2000
Production:	500 cases
Release Date:	January 2001



Tasting Notes:

The color of red velvet and inviting aromas of a wine cellar greet you as you approach this wine. A nose of dark, ripe blackberries, pepper and a slightly earthy quality. Flavors of penetrating black fruit, intensely rich berries, vanilla and pepper with a lingering finish of plum and cherry. The background of dustiness in the wine is one of the characteristics of grapes grown in the Bradford Mountain terroir.

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.