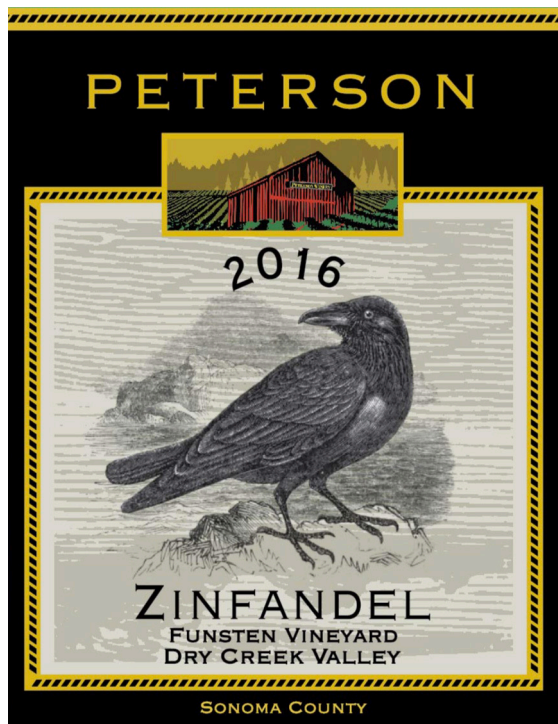


# PETERSON



## 2016 ZINFANDEL Funsten Vineyard Dry Creek Valley



### Jamie's (Peterson) Vintaged View

This Zinfandel vineyard, on the eastern bench above the valley floor, is adjacent to our former old red barn winery off Lytton Springs Road. It was planted by my father in 1999 when he was consulting for Ridge Vineyards. I actually helped lay out stakes for a few of the blocks in the vineyard during my summer break from school. I can remember toiling in the hot, dusty soil of the Dry Creek Bench, wondering what the vineyard would become. It's exciting to get to work with the fruit and wine from this vineyard decades later.

Normally a main component in our Dry Creek Valley Zinfandel blend, the 2016 Funsten Zin tasted so spectacular on its own, we opted to set aside and bottle two barrels of this 100% single vineyard wine to share with our wine club members, and other true Zin lovers.

### Technical Data

Composition:	100% Zinfandel,
Vineyard:	Funsten Vineyard, Block 4
Appellation:	Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County
Harvest Date:	September 2, 2016
Alcohol:	14.6%
pH:	3.66
TA:	0.65g/100ml
Barrel Aging:	22 months
Type of Oak:	50% new Hungarian oak barrels, 50% 4-year-old French oak barrels
Bottling Date:	July 6, 2018 (unfined & unfiltered)
Production:	50 cases
Release Date:	April 2019

### Tasting Notes

Inviting deep-set aromatics of ripe dark fruit are woven with a sprinkling of fresh cracked pepper and hints of oak. The smooth, juicy entry soon reveals the wine's complexity and layers. Traces of brown spices, pepper and chocolate intertwine with a rich core of boysenberry, plum, cherry and huckleberry. The balance of acidity, oak and fruit creates a bright, refreshing, yet intense quality as the wine nears the finish and lingers.

This classic beauty will seamlessly pair with Zinfandel braised short ribs served over creamy polenta, or roasted garlic and balsamic glazed lamb loin chops.