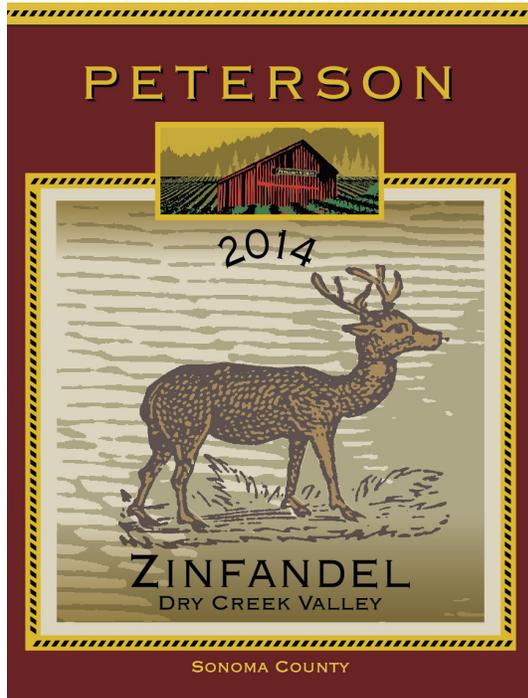


PETERSON



2014 ZINFANDEL Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County



Technical Data

Composition:

| <u>Varietal Breakdown</u> | <u>Vineyard Breakdown/Harvest Dates</u> |
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| 83% Zinfandel | 55% Funsten Vineyard - 9/3 19% Bradford Mtn Est Vnyd - 9/24 5% Bernier Zinyard - 9/2 4% West Vineyard - 9/20 |
| 10% Carignane | Forchini Vineyard - 9/5 |
| 5% Petite Sirah | Clendenen Vineyard - 9/10 |
| 2% Grenache | West Vineyard - 9/20 |
| Appellation: | Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County |
| Alcohol: | 14.3% |
| pH: | 3.51 |
| TA: | 0.65g/100ml |
| Barrel Aging: | 24 months |
| Cooperage: | 20% new Hungarian oak barrels, 5% new American oak barrels, 50% 3-5 year old French & Hungarian oak barrels, 25% older, neutral oak barrel |
| Bottling Date: | Nov. 3, 2016 (unfined and unfiltered) |
| Production: | 450 cases - 750ml |
| Release Date: | July 2018 |

Jamie's (Peterson) Vintaged View

Though most 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. Selecting four vineyards (Funsten, Bradford Mountain Estate, Bernier and West) located throughout the appellation, gives us a cross section of soil types and microclimates within Dry Creek Valley that are reflected in the flavors.

Our 2014 Dry Creek blend is a very classic, claret-style Zinfandel. Accompanying the depth of fruit flavors, you'll find richness, complexity, spice and earthiness. Compared to our other Zinfandels, this bottling contains the highest percentage of blending varietals to give maximum spice and an intriguing multifaceted quality without overwhelming the inherent "Zinness" of the wine. The Petite Sirah gives the wine darker earth notes and more structure, while Carignane enhances the spiciness and bright acidity, and Grenache brings softer mid-palate fruit layers.

The 2014 vintage saw the drought continue, though the growing season overall was steady and even. This allowed for wines to come from the vineyard with good concentration and depth, but still maintain the balance for which we strive.

Tasting Notes

Rich aromatics of black pepper and brown spices weave through ripe blackberry and traces of minerality and earth. The palate reflects the qualities found in the nose, with plenty of spice notes blended with juicy flavors. Enjoy ripe black raspberry, huckleberry and a touch of dried strawberry sprinkled with a hint of pepper and baking spices.

Playful, easy sipping and balanced, this is the perfect wine to pair with dinner. Versatile enough to go with lamb burgers, pasta carbonara, shepherd's pie or stuffed Portobello mushrooms.