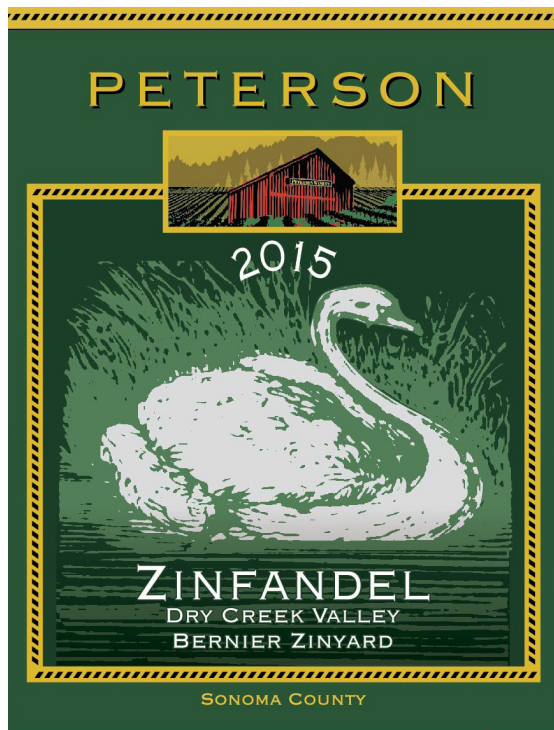


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## 2015 ZINFANDEL Bernier Zinyard Dry Creek Valley



### Zinyard Notes

Although the Zinfandel vines were planted in 1990, the Bernier Zinyard makes old-time growers feel they are walking into the past when they stroll among the vines. It is a traditional dry-farmed, head-trained (non-trellised) vineyard with Italo Sbragio's old clone Zin grafted on to St. George rootstock.

Why call it a Zinyard? Originally, long time Dry Creek Valley farmers Paul and Yael Bernier planted only Zinfandel on the hillside behind their house on Canyon Road on the northern end of the valley. To honor the traditions of many of the early Italian immigrant growers, as well as enhance the Zinfandel, they later planted a small block of Petite Sirah alongside the Zin, just above the row of peach and pear trees we sometimes enjoy while sampling the vines.

This combination of influences embodies the very roots of Dry Creek Valley viticulture and reflects Peterson Winery's values of savoring and embracing time-honored, traditional farming.

### Technical Data

<b>Composition:</b>	100% Bernier Zinyard
<i>Varietal Breakdown:</i>	<i>Harvest Dates:</i>
91% Zinfandel	August 17
9% Petite Sirah	August 17
<b>Appellation:</b>	Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County
<b>Alcohol:</b>	15.9%
<b>pH:</b>	3.64
<b>TA:</b>	0.68g/100ml
<b>Cooperage:</b>	22 months
<b>Types of Oak:</b>	100% 6-10 year-old neutral oak barrels
<b>Bottling Date:</b>	July 6, 2017 (unfined & unfiltered)
<b>Production:</b>	50 cases   750ml bottles
<b>Closure Type:</b>	Screwcap - Ramondin - saranex liner
<b>Release Date:</b>	September 2020

### Tasting Notes

Bernier Zinyard grapes produce intriguing atypical aromas for a Dry Creek Valley Zin, offering layers of plum and mixed berries merged with traces of vanilla, white floral and earth notes. The wine's fresh entry introduces a mix of bright fruit—dark plum, cherry and brambly berries—along with subtle spice notes. The smooth mouthfeel and balanced acidity reveal an inviting mocha essence that lingers into the finish.

This wine will surprise your Zin loving friends with its unique, yet appealing flavors. Enjoy it with roast pork loin with dried cherry and wild rice stuffing, or coffee-rubbed roasted chicken.