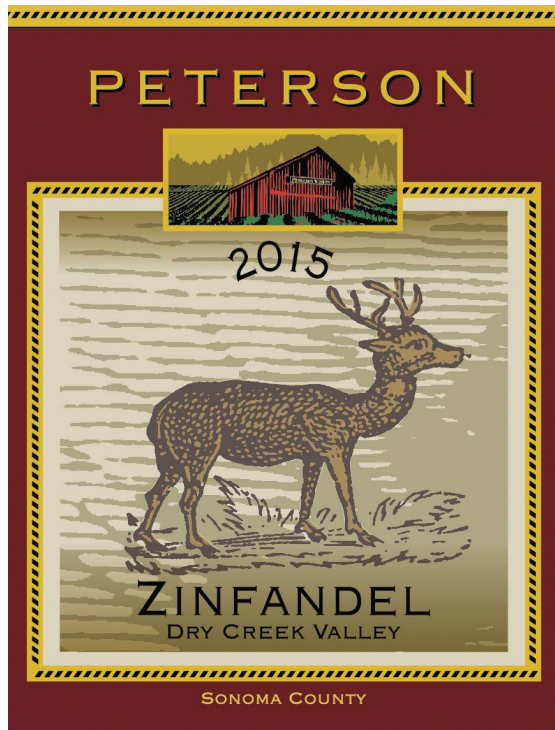


PETERSON



2015 ZINFANDEL Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County



Technical Data

Composition:

<u>Varietal Breakdown</u>	<u>Vineyards & Harvest Dates</u>
80% Zinfandel	45% Bradford Mtn Est Vnyd - 9/25 25% Funsten Vineyard - 8/17 10% Bernier Zinyard - 8/17
10% Petite Sirah	7% West Vineyard - 9/10 3% Bradford Mtn Est Vnyd - 9/15
5% Carignane	Forchini Vineyard - 10/24
5% Grenache	West Vineyard - 9/10

Appellation:	Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County
Alcohol:	15.5%
pH:	3.44
TA:	0.70g/100ml
Barrel Aging:	22 months
Cooperage:	10% new American oak barrels 20% new Hungarian oak barrels 70% 5-10 year-old neutral barrels
Bottling Date:	July 5, 2017 (unfined and unfiltered)
Closure Type:	Screwcap - Ramondin - saranex liner
Production:	500 cases 750ml
Release Date:	January 2020

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 five vineyards (Funsten, Bradford Mountain Estate, Bernier, Forchini, 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 2015 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 2015 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 aromas of spice-laced dark fruit entice the first sip, and then you're hooked. This wine provides all the classic characteristics of a born and bred Dry Creek Valley Zin. Zesty notes of black pepper and warm brown spices are woven into every corner of the palate; just enough to enhance the luscious fruit without overwhelming the wine's natural beauty. Bright flavors of juicy dark toned fruit—blackberry, dark cherry and plum—provide the core essence, while dried strawberry and black raspberry appear mid-palate and linger in the spicy finish.

Balanced and delicious, this ideal sipper will pair perfectly with brisket served with your favorite sauces and sides of potato salad and slaw, or try it with pesto polenta lasagna.