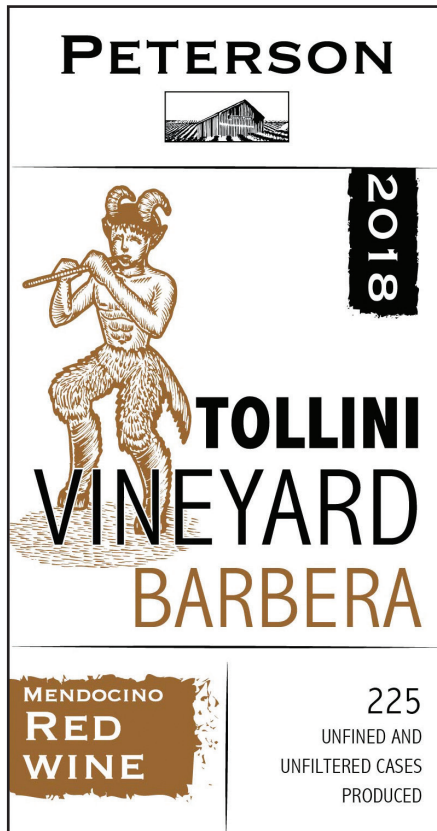


# PETERSON



## 2018 BARBERA

Tollini Vineyard, Mendocino



### Fred's (Peterson) Vintaged View

Long time Peterson wine devotees might fondly recall the original Peterson Barbera that we produced from 1994 through 1998. The grapes came from a small block of Barbera that I planted in 1989 on the “bench” overlooking our red barn winery on the Norton Ranch. Though we never produced much of this Barbera, it was a wine we loved to grow and make (as well as drink), and it developed a fervent following among our customers.

Over the last 20-plus years working with Alvin Tollini, I've come to respect his abilities as a grower and the suitability of his properties for producing intense, yet balanced red wines. When Alvin mentioned to me that he had a field on “Granddad's Ranch” that he was ready to plant, I immediately thought of Barbera. I believed the site's gravelly, well-drained red clay soil could produce a worthy successor to the Norton Ranch Barbera.

The 2018 is our ninth vintage from this block. As a 100% varietal from Tollini Vineyard, it truly showcases what the grape is capable of when grown in the right location. This wine hits the high notes, with power and depth behind it, and a purity and clarity one would expect from this ancient varietal.

*Salute!*

### Technical Data

Composition:	100% Barbera
Vineyard:	Tollini Vineyard
Appellation:	Redwood Valley, Mendocino
Harvest Date:	October 15, 2018
Alcohol:	13.9%
pH:	3.18
TA:	0.78g/100mL
Barrel Aging:	21 months
Cooperage:	100% neutral oak barrels
Bottling Date:	July 23, 2020 (unfined & unfiltered)
Closure Type:	Screwcap - Janson Caps - saranex liner
Production:	225 cases   750ml
Release Date:	September 2022

### Tasting Notes

The enticing nose tells the wine's story, with subtle aromas of earth, leather and toasty oak weaving through ripe black cherry laced with freshly ground black pepper. The rustic Italianate essence on the nose comes to life on the palate with mouthwatering bright acidity accentuating flavors of tart cherry, dried strawberry, black plum, pomegranate, blackberry and a touch of rhubarb. Traces of violet, pepper and oak linger in the background, adding dimension and depth.

This delicious wine is the perfect partner for anything Italian or other hearty fare. Some of our favorites are Italian sausage lasagna, beef short ribs over creamy mashed potatoes, or shepherd's pie.