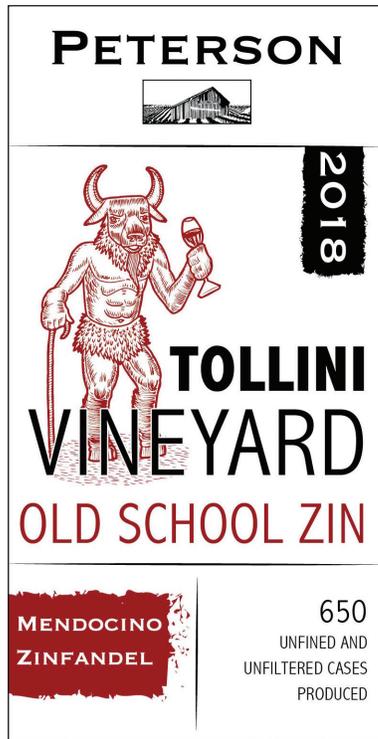


PETERSON



2018 *OLD SCHOOL* ZINFANDEL Tollini Vineyard, Mendocino



Jamie Peterson's Vintaged View

Old School is sometimes described as our “Easy Drinking, No Thinking” Zin, but don’t let that make you think it’s any less serious of a wine than our other bottlings.

After nearly ten years putting together a value priced Zin blend from various Sonoma County grapes, our friend and grower in Mendocino, Alvin Tollini, let us know he had a mature Zinfandel vineyard coming available, and would we be interested in the fruit. We took the opportunity to create a new wine in our line of Tollini Vineyard offerings that would showcase what juicy Zin grapes from the hills of Mendocino’s Redwood Valley could produce.

Old School has a style that is full of flavor and character, but not over the top. We want a wine that is refreshing and “highly drinkable” and satisfying. The type of Zin you can either open on a weeknight or take to a party without hesitation. One you can think about and savor...but you really don’t have to.

By blending in percentages of Petite Sirah and Carignane, we complement the fruit and jam of the Zin with structure, balance and spice, without overwhelming the singular *terroir* of this special place.

Technical Data

Composition:

Varietal Breakdown

89% Zinfandel

7% Petite Sirah

4% Carignane

Harvest Dates

Sept. 28 & Oct. 4

Oct. 17

Oct. 19

Vineyard:	100% Tollini Vineyard
Appellation:	Redwood Valley, Mendocino
Alcohol:	14.1%
pH:	3.42
TA:	0.65g/100ml
Barrel Aging:	20 months
Cooperage:	10% new American oak barrels 90% 4-10 year-old neutral oak barrels
Bottling Date:	July 21, 2020 (unfined & unfiltered)
Closure Type:	Screwcap - Janson capsules - Saranex liner
Production:	590 cases 750ml, 60 cases 3L bag-in-box, 11 5 gallon kegs
Release Date:	March 2023

Tasting Notes

Vivid ripe red berry aromatics burst on the nose as traces of white flowers and sarsaparilla add complexity. A full, rich entry reveals blackberry mingled with raspberry and pomegranate. Bright acidity bathes the palate balancing the juicy fruit essence, while toasty oak and hints of black pepper, brown spices and floral notes add interest and depth. The lush intense flavors fuse near the finish as the wine lingers.

This is the perfect Zin to pair with Italian braised pork shoulder ragu, or a meat lover’s pizza.