

2012 black bear / red chair Petite Sirah - California

This wine is made from a mixture of fruit in equal parts from Paso Robles, Lodi, and the Sierra Foothills, with each region contributing something unique to the blend. Each vineyard was picked at the peak of ripeness and fermented separately in stainless steel vessels. Each lot was then barrel aged in mainly experienced oak barrels to allow the fruit tannin structure to develop and soften over time. The blends were assembled and put back to barrel to allow more time for integration. A total of 14 months in barrel was needed to allow the components to come together and create rich and soft tannins that Petite Sirah is known for.

Technical Notes

Harvest Dates: Sept 3 to Sept 19th

Alcohol: 13.3%

Total Acidity: 5.8 g/L

pH: 3.64

Residual Sugar: 6.7 g/L

Composition:

81% Petite Sirah

14% Zinfandel

5% Cabernet Sauvignon



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This wine has a whimsical side as its aroma is inviting with elements of blueberry cobbler, vanilla, and white pepper, yet with inviting color has intense violet and indigo hues yet. Its flavors are intense with dark notes of dark cherry, blackberry, and allspice coupled with tannins as soft and cuddly as your favorite chair. The finish is filled with fresh, dark fruit flavors that linger like a comfortable dinner with friends. This wine is easily paired with grilled salmon with butter dill sauce, roasted chicken with tomato compote, or a grilled steak with béarnaise sauce.