Petite Sirah

2015 • CRESTON VALLEY VINEYARD • PASO ROBLES

The microclimate and soils in our estate Creston Valley Vineyard located southeast of Paso Robles encouraged us to bottle this limited-production Petite Sirah. Rolling hills, picture perfect exposure and limiting, shallow soils with noticeable limestone all contributed to exceptional concentrated Petite Sirah fruit from this vineyard.

Selected from a small upper portion of an elevated block with chalky soils, the grapes were handpicked and sorted for quality in the vineyard. The fruit was crushed into small stainless steel tanks where variable pump-over techniques were implemented during progressive stages of fermentation to enhance fruit extraction and balance out the tannin structure. The wine was then lightly pressed and transferred to French and Hungarian oak barrels to complete malolactic fermentation. This exceptional lot, bottled unfined and unfiltered, is representative of the Creston Valley terroir - where the vineyard’s limestone soil is expressed through the wine’s structured, yet velvety tannins.

Tasting Notes
COLOR: Inky garnet
AROMA: Ripe boysenberry and cola with notes of white pepper and vanilla
TASTE: Full-bodied, dark berries, cola notes; mouth-filling tannins, long, velvety finish

Technical Notes
Harvest dates: 09.26.15 - 09.28.15
Brix: 26.6
Vineyard: Creston Valley
Variety: Petite Sirah 100%

AGING: 20 months in French and Hungarian oak barrels
BOTTLING DATE: 06.16.17
RELEASE DATE: 05.25.18
CASES PRODUCED: 675
ALCOHOL: 15.3%
PH: 4.01
TOTAL ACIDITY: 6.1 g/L

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