

PEDRONCELLI





Three Vineyard Blend

Estate fruit harvested from the northern reaches of Dry Creek Valley. Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Malbec were hand-picked just a mile from the winery. Here these varietals develop exceptional character on the vineyard sites situated on the valley bench. The vines receive the right amount of sun and cooling fog which develops optimal flavors in the grapes. Careful vineyard management during the growing season defines our style even more.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were harvested over the first two weeks of October from a textbook perfect vintage bringing in grapes with good acidity, concentrated aromas and flavors. The fruit was crushed into temperature controlled stainless steel tanks. Periodic pump-overs of the cap during fermentation gives the young wine a substantial increase of flavor, tannin and color.

Our Cabernet Sauvignon was aged in 70% American oak barrels for sixteen months in order to develop smoothness and complexity. An additional 30% was aged in new French oak to provide a subtle backbone of vanilla and toasted oak highlights. Blending in Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Petit Verdot and Malbec adds depth. The integrated flavors between the five varietals show optimum richness and balance.

TASTING NOTES

Rich aromas of red plum, sage and toasted oak introduce our Cabernet Sauvignon. Ripe cherry fruit, black olive and black pepper spice follow on the palate. The wine showcases the fruit with a bit of jammy blackberry and a spicy finish. From a richer vintage showing firm tannins and good acidity. Enjoy upon release or cellar up to eight more years.

Technical Information

APPELLATION Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

COMPOSITION

83% Cabernet Sauvignon 7% Cabernet Franc 5% Merlot 3% Petit Verdot 2% Malbec

BARREL AGING 16 months in American and 30% new French oak barrels

ALCOHOL 14.7%

рН 3.74

TOTAL ACIDITY .540g/100mg

Cabernet Sauvignon | three vineyards v.2013 sonoma county, dry creek valley

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