

PEDRONCELLI



THREE VINEYARD BLEND

Estate fruit harvested from the northern reaches of Dry Creek Valley. Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc and Petite Verdot 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 twelve 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 and a small portion of Petite Verdot adds depth and the integrated flavors between the three varietals show optimum richness and balance.

TASTING NOTES

Rich aromas of raspberry, sage and spice highlight our Cabernet Sauvignon. Ripe raspberry fruit, dried herbs and flintiness follow on the palate. The wine is framed by bright acidity and showcases the fruit with a bit of vanilla toasted oak. From a richer vintage showing firm tannins and a lingering and rounded finish. Enjoy upon release or cellar up to five more years.

Technical Information

APPELLATION

Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

COMPOSITION

76% Cabernet Sauvignon, 16% Cabernet Franc, 3% Petite Verdot

BARREL AGING 12 months in American Oak and French Oak barrels

ALCOHOL 14.2%

pH 3.58

TOTAL ACIDITY .580g/100mg

Cabernet Sauvignon | three vineyards v.2012 sonoma county, dry creek valley