

FAMILY OWNED SINCE 1927



# PEDRONCELLI



## FAMILY VINEYARD SOURCES

This richly flavored grape, long known for its intense characteristics, has been grown side by side with Zinfandel in Dry Creek Valley for over 100 years. Petite Sirah has been planted on our vineyard since the early 1900s and used in our Zinfandel production as a key part of the blend. The "Family Vineyard" connection is with Carol Bushnell who is a third generation Pedroncelli; her vineyard has been a source of fruit since the 1940s. The resulting blend contains a combination of fruit from Estate vineyard and the Bushnell vineyard.

## WINEMAKING

Harvested early, the first week of September, due to drought conditions in this year. It followed a warm growing season and the vintage shows intense phenolics and mild acids resulting in a very structured wine with smooth texture.

The fruit was crushed into stainless steel tanks where frequent pumping-over of the juice during fermentation allowed the young wine a substantial increase in extraction of flavor. The wine was aged for seventeen months in small American oak barrels, one third new oak. A touch of Zinfandel was added to highlight the fruit components.

## TASTING NOTES

Deep dark purple in the glass. Our rich, full bodied Petite Sirah offers aromas of blueberries, black plum and pepper. Very deep and complex flavors of blueberry, black cherry, pepper spice, vanilla and toasted oak. There is nothing 'petite' about this wine and it is well structured with firm tannins and a smoky finish. It has the structure to age well over many years. Decant if desired.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### APPELLATION

Dry Creek Valley,  
Sonoma County

### COMPOSITION

95% Petite Sirah  
5% Zinfandel

**BARREL AGING** 17 months in  
American Oak

**ALCOHOL** 14.5%

**pH** 3.67

**TOTAL ACIDITY** .660g/100mg

PETITE SIRAH | FAMILY VINEYARDS  
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## PEDRONCELLI WINERY

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