

PEDRONCELLI



SINGLE VINEYARD—BLOCK 007

Our vineyards are assigned block numbers to identify them as they are planted. Block 007 refers to one portion of our vineyard located a mile west of the winery, on the eastern bench above Dry Creek and has caught the attention of our winemaking team because it consistently produces fruit of singular quality.

We farm 31 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon on our estate and were the first to plant the king of red wine grapes in Dry Creek Valley circa 1965. Block 007 was established in 1992 on the Scott Henry trellis system which splits the cordon arms into a double tier with the upper arm usually bearing about 3 tons of grapes per acres while the lower arm bears about 2 tons per acre. This is for optimum production and ripeness. The soil is well drained and located next to Canyon Creek where it is gravelly and ideal for growing Cabernet Sauvignon.

WINEMAKING

Harvest 2017 started with a good growing season including plenty of rain and later on warm temperatures which enhanced the flavors and set the maturation off to a very good start. Extreme heat at the beginning of September accelerated ripening. Cabernet Sauvignon can handle high temperatures and the vintage shows high concentration of flavors. The grapes were picked on September 27.

The juice and berries are cold soaked for 48 hours and then inoculated with the Bordeaux yeast strain. Fermentation in our small capacity temperature controlled stainless steel tank gave optimal skin/juice ratio and better extraction of flavor and color. The young wine was transferred to small American oak barrels to age for eighteen months with 30% new oak.

TASTING NOTES

Dark ruby in the glass the aromas of dried herbs (thyme, oregano) with ripe blackberry and plum notes typical of this vineyard's personality. Berry flavors combine with toasty oak, pepper and a touch of vanilla. A long earthy finish with lasting fruit is simply elegant. Good acidity and soft tannins lead to great aging potential. Obviously this wine has no connection to a world famous British Special Agent. It's simply the name of a vineyard block...Sauvignon, Cabernet Sauvignon.

Technical Information

APPELLATION Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

COMPOSITION Estate Cabernet Sauvignon

BARREL AGING 18 months in American oak barrels, 30% new

ALCOHOL 14.4%

pH 3.73 TOTAL ACIDITY .590g/100ml

Cabernet Sauvignon | block 007 v.2017 sonoma county, dry creek valley



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