





Kevin Willenborg, Winemaker *An exceptional varietal from the Paso Robles AVA* 

## Petite Sirah 2014 + ESTATE + PASO ROBLES

Petite Sirah has been a classic grape planted and grown in California for more than a century and is well suited to the limiting soils found in our estate vineyards in Paso Robles.

The fruit for our 2014 Petite Sirah was handpicked in the early morning and sorted to ensure quality and uniformity of ripeness. Afterwards, the fruit was destemmed and gently crushed into temperature controlled stainless steel tanks. Pump-overs took place regularly to enhance color and help extract tannins from the skin. After pressing, the wine was racked into barrels to complete malolactic fermentation and aging. While the majority was aged in French oak, we also used some American and Hungarian oak barrels for added nuances and complexity. Upon extensive blending trials after 8 months of aging, the final lots were selected and blended for overall synergies - structure and minerality from Creston Valley along with expressive fruit and silkiness from Jardine Vineyard. The blend was then aged for an additional 12 months in barrels to fully integrate before bottling. The result is a wine displaying complexity, structure, richness, and balance.

## Tasting Notes

COLOR: Opaque garnet AROMA: Boysenberry with notes of dark chocolate and allspice TASTE: Full-bodied with juicy dark fruit flavors and chewy tannins that unfold into a supple finish

## Recommendations

Serve at 62° – 65° F Enjoy now through 2026 Store in dark dry place at 55° – 65° F Pairing suggestions: Your favorite cut of beef, braised short ribs, lamb, or dark chocolate

## Technical Notes

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HARVEST DATE	$Brix^\circ$	Vineyard	Blend	
09.18.14 - 09.24.14	26.9	Jardine	Petite Sirah	51%
		Creston Valley	Petite Sirah	49%

 AGING:
 20 mont

 BOTTLING DATE:
 06.15.16

 RELEASE DATE:
 04.17.17

 CASES PRODUCED:
 3.954

 ALCOHOL:
 15.1%

 PH:
 3.83

 TOTAL ACIDITY:
 6.7 g/L

20 months in French, Hungarian and American oak barrels 06.15.16 - 06.17.16 04.17.17

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