

2015 PETITE SIRAH

100% Petite Sirah

Vineyard Notes: Grown on one single acre of our 18-acre estate mountain vineyard at 2,200 feet elevation in rocky red volcanic soil. The vineyard is CCOF Organic and Demeter Biodynamic certified. On the ranch we pursue a true biodynamic "closed system," where biodynamic preparations are sourced primarily from our property. A picturesque aspect of this is our Scottish Highland cattle, which play an important role.

The 2015 vintage was early, light, and exceptional! Marked by a mild winter leading into an early spring bud-break, our Red Hills Lake County vineyard saw a hot, dry summer. The rhythm of the season developed fruit of deep intensity in color, aroma, and flavor. Harvest was September 10th. Two tons per acre.



Winemaker's Notes: Hand crafted in an old-world style. We use minimal intervention in the cellar to bring the highest expression of our Lake County Red Hills vineyard's terroir to every glass. Alcohol: 13.9%; pH: 3.55; Cooperage: Aged 20 months in 100% French oak; Production: 135 cases

Tasting Notes: Deeply suffused and dense ruby color; floral notes of violet and rose with a finish of white pepper fill the nose with an elegantly complex fragrance. The juxtaposition of both black and red fruit is the perfect marriage, with notes of blackberry, raspberry, and blueberry. Finely integrated tannins provide the structure indicative of the varietal.



Accolades

92 Points *Wine Enthusiast*

94 Points, Platinum Winemaker Challenge Int'l Wine Competition
Double Gold San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition
Gold, 90 Points Critics Challenge Int'l Wine Competition
90 Points Terroirist

