2019 PETITE ZIN ROSÉ – DRY CREEK VALLEY



HISTORY

This delicious wine was crafted, first and foremost, from our love of Zinfandel. However, sometimes on a warm summer afternoon or evening, a voluptuous red is not as desirable as something cool and refreshing. This Rosé gives us an invigorating Zinfandel experience for just those occasions. We allow the juice just enough time with the skins to gather some complexity and a healthy splash of color before fermenting it in stainless steel at cool temperatures. A small addition of Petite Sirah lends complexity and freshness to this limited-production Rosé.

GROWING SEASON

Overall, 2019 was a mild growing season with a later start to the summer. This seasonal shift lead to a longer hang time, which allowed for even ripening and full berry development, while retaining natural acidity. Harvest started about one week later than average compared to the last handful of vintages, and the mild growing conditions lead to a very long season – fruit was being harvested for nearly 70 days! This extended season allowed us to pick each vineyard block at an ideal level of ripeness to produce balanced, flavorful wines with complexity and nuance.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Our 2019 vintage of Petite Zin Rosé presents initial aromas of strawberry, watermelon and red raspberry. After a few minutes in the glass, notes of cranberry, cucumber and honeysuckle are revealed. The palate is refreshing with flavors of watermelon, pomegranate and fresh raspberry with hints of white peach, tangerine and hibiscus. The addition of Petite Sirah lends a beautiful crimson color and nuanced layers of fresh fruit. This luxurious Rosé features a silky, smooth mouthfeel combined with crisp, bright acidity. This wine is delicious and light with lovely intensity and a clean, pure finish.

April 2020
75% Zinfandel, 24% Petite Sirah, 1% Alicante Bouschet
Dry Creek Valley
September 6 - 19, 2019
13.1%
100% stainless steel fermented at average of 55°F for about 24 days
Average 22.0
3.35
7.0g/L
Hillside vineyards with red iron rich rocky soils
3 - 41 years
4 tons per acre

