

2020 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

The fall and winter rains of the 2020 growing season were slightly below average, but spring rains helped to increase the total rainfall. Heat waves in mid-August and the first week of September set off a fast-paced early stretch of harvest. Two unexpected factors were the Walbridge Fire in August, in a remote forested area, and the Glass Fire in September, located on the eastern side of Sonoma County. This, combined with using lighter pressings, has resulted in delicious wines with beautiful aromas and flavors.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Our 2020 vintage of Petite Zin Rosé presents initial aromas of strawberry, watermelon and raspberry. After a few minutes in the glass, notes of orange cream, cucumber and honeysuckle are revealed. The palate is refreshing with flavors of red berries and pomegranate and hints of white peach, lemon and honeydew melon. The addition of Petite Sirah lends a beautiful crimson color and nuanced layers of fresh fruit. This luxurious Rosé features a round and inviting mouthfeel combined with lively acidity. This wine is delicious and light with lovely intensity and a crisp finish.

RELEASE DATE	March 2021
BLEND	88% Zinfandel, 12% Petite Sirah
APPELLATION	Dry Creek Valley
HARVEST DATES	September 14, 2020
ALCOHOL	14.1%
FERMENTATION	100% stainless steel fermented at average of 55°F for about 24 days
BRIX	Average 23.5
PH	3.34
TA	6.8g/L
SOILS	Hillside vineyards with red, iron-rich rocky soils
VINE AGE	25+ years
YIELDS	4 tons per acre

