



2012 PETITE SIRAH CONTRA COSTA COUNTY

The Petite Sirah comes from the Gonsalves Vineyard in Oakley. Deep sandy soils with root-systems that stretch almost 60 feet deep make this area extremely unique for growing Petite Sirah. These vineyards are well over 100 years old and have survived both phyloxera and prohibition.

Tech Info

Suggested Retail: \$35 Number of Cases: 1950

Alcohol: 15.3%

Winemaking

Grapes are handpicked and de-stemmed. Must is pumped to our temperature controlled stainless steel tanks, and then inoculated with a wine yeast selected for its hardiness and alcohol tolerance. Once the wine has extracted to the desired level of tannins, the grapes are pressed. Both free run and press juice combine to enhance the wine's structure. The wine is pumped over 4 times daily to optimize bright fruit. Barrel aged in once used American oak from our Chardonnay program for 18 months.

Tasting Notes

This wine boasts aromatics of chocolate, coffee, espresso, huckleberry, violet, and blue berry. Blueberry translates from the nose and is the dominant fruit character on the palate. The fruit balances with the tannins nicely to create a smooth wine with no lack of structure. The Trinitas Old Vine Petite Sirah continues to deliver big flavor and body in a silky and round fashion.

Vintage Notes

The 2012 vintage was a marvelous one. The elements all aligned to create a nearly perfect environment in Napa and Northern California. The wines of 2012 are packed with concentrated fruit flavors while being balanced and layered in complexity.