



# Russian River Vineyards

## Product Information

### 2016 Petite Sirah Wedge Family Vineyard



<b>Harvest Date:</b>	10/15/2016
<b>Cold soak:</b>	3 days
<b>Oak program:</b>	35%
<b>Aging process:</b>	16 Months
<b>Secondary fermentation:</b>	Yes
<b>Bottling date:</b>	8/5/2018
<b>Case production:</b>	375

#### **Description**

This big, bold, peppery wine with a decidedly tannic profile is a marvelous representation of a classic Petite Sirah. A portion of the Petite Sirah grapes were pressed off to create a rosé. Then, the remaining juice and skins from that rosé press were combined with the remaining fermenting grapes. Graphite, amaro, and blackberry brandy mingle with the bold black and white pepper aromas. Harmonious flavors of licorice, blueberry, plum, and dark chocolate coat the tongue, making for the perfect pairing with mole negro, fudgy brownies, or molten lava cake. Don't be surprised if the 2016 Wedge Family Vineyards turns you into a Petite Sirah fan.

#### **Appellation**

Fountain Grove District

#### **Unique qualities of vineyard/location**

West facing lower and upper bench vineyards, this comes from the lower bench where the fruit does not get as ripe. Rocky volcanic soils with clay.

#### **Farming technique & maintenance**

Vertical, Cordon spur trained

#### **Fermentation details**

Fermentation started in open top fermenters with pump over 2 times a day, then transferred to French oak barrels to finish secondary fermentation.

#### **Cooperage**

Radoux