

2009 mbf Petite Sirah

The foundation of my limited production mbf (man's best friend) wines is always a strong relationship; a vineyard owner, a handshake agreement and my desire to craft an excellent wine from his or her grapes—Brenda Lynch

2009 mbf Petite Sirah, Perotti Vineyard Dry Creek Valley—Sonoma County

A favorite "Pet." Petite Sirah is an interesting varietal. Descended from a cross between the noble Syrah and the little know Peloursin, Petite Sirah produces a hardy, age-worthy wine dense in character and color. 2009 is our second vintage and we think it has even more personality than the first. If you like Petite Sirah, our "mbf" could become a favorite "Pet" of yours!

2009 Vintage

DOUBLE GOLD MEDAL—2014 SF Chronicle Wine Competition GOLD MEDAL - 2013 Sonoma County Harvest Fair Wine Competition 2008 Vintage

SILVER MEDAL - 2012 International Women's Wine Competition

Perotti Vineyard, Dry Creek Valley

In 2005 I talked to Ed and Bruce Perotti, father and son grape growers in Dry Creek Valley, about getting some "pets," their name for the Petite Sirah grape. What a perfect nickname. But even more perfect is the suitability of this vineyard and these blocks for producing a great "pet"— located on the north end of Dry Creek Valley, on a bench with an eastern slope. This location ensures great air circulation and exposure, dry skins and ripe fruit.

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Brenda's Winemaking

Handle with care. My Petite Sirah was treated to gentle winemaking and oak aging. Fermentation took place in an open-top tank, with hand punch-downs. This approach prevents harsh tannins from being imparted to the wine and allows the wine to be fruit-forward. My 2009 vintage was aged in 100% French Oak barrels for 18 months.

Tasting Notes

With a classic "inky" color, this wine has aromas of white pepper and clove. The flavor palette of blueberry, blackberry and a hint of tobacco is complemented by a firm mouthfeel. The large tannins give it a little kick on the finish and add to its age-worthiness. This "big dog" can be enjoyed solo or paired with your favorite recipe for lamb, pork or game.

—A favorite "Pet" is a treasure!

Information

Vintage: 2009

Appellation: Dry Creek Valley

% Petite Sirah: 100%

Alcohol: 14.4%

Produced: 167 cases

UPC: 8 50432 82007 9

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