



2013 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

2013 mbf Petite Sirah, Perotti Vineyard Dry Creek Valley—Sonoma County

From a small berry comes one big dog! 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. With this our fourth vintage of Petite Sirah, this big dog has earned a permanent place in our “mbf” kennel. Could this be your new favorite “pet?”

2012 Vintage

GOLD MEDAL - Orange County Fair

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

SILVER MEDAL - 2012 Sonoma County Harvest Fair



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.

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 2013 vintage was aged in 100% French Oak barrels for 18 months.

Tasting Notes

The dark, opaque color of our 2013 mbf Petite Sirah begins the story of a “sultry” wine about to unfold. There's a little heat on the nose, which opens to notes of licorice and leather.

The flavor profile is deliciously decadent and features pepper, plums and chocolate and a big, chewy mouthfeel further advances the storyline that this is one big dog of a wine.

Our wine's story concludes with (but of course) big tannins and a medium finish.

The overall impression of our 2013 mbf Petite Sirah is that this is a big but balanced wine—a fantastic “read” in the glass for wine lovers who love classics!

Information

Vintage:	2013
Appellation:	Dry Creek Valley
% Petite Sirah:	100%
Alcohol:	14.3%
Produced:	174 cases
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