

PETITE SIRAH Alexander valley estate 2022



WINEMAKER NOTES

According to the National Integrated Drought Information System, the year 2022 was the driest year to date in the last 128 years. Here at Trentadue we started the practice of "water deficit irrigation" nine years ago and because of that and the other vineyard management techniques our vines faired relatively well even during the heat wave in September. The good news is that we did not have fires in Sonoma County and the quality was very high across all varieties with notably smaller berry and cluster sizes, packing a stellar quality 2022 vintage. The yields, as one may suspect, were down about 18% compared to the 10-year average with Zinfandel down almost 35%.

Our La Storia Petite Sirah is as usually impressive and imposing with very dark, opaque color, beautiful nose of concentrated blue berries and blackberries that leads to a full body mouth feel with engagingly soft (for Petite Sirah) tannins. After a short aeration, the nose opens with the addition of cocoa, violets, slight earthiness, and graphite followed by brown sugar and a touch of vanilla - contribution of the new oak barrels. Overall, the aromas are of fresh dark fruit and very attractive. Longevity, if stored properly, is one of the virtues of this variety and it will give you the most enjoyment in 5-8 years.

Cheers! Miro Tcholakov

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TECHNICAL NOTES

VARIETAL

88% Petite Sirah8% Zinfandel2% Cabernet Franc1% Merlot1% Syrah

APPELLATION

Alexander Valley WINEMAKER Miro Tcholakov

PRODUCTION 1,554 Cases

BOTTLED May 2024

HARVEST DATE September 2022

AGING

20 months in 19% new (3% French and 6% American Oak: 10% Hungarian Oak, balance in neutral oak barrels

ALCOHOL

14.9%

RESIDUAL SUGAR 0.3%

pH 3.64

TOTAL ACID 6.0g/L

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