

# 2021 ADAPTATION PETITE SIRAH, NAPA VALLEY



**VARIETALS**  
100% Petite Sirah



**ALCOHOL**  
14.8%



**PRODUCTION**  
1,350 cases



**BOTTLED**  
May 30, 2023



**ADAPTATION**  
NAPA VALLEY

**AVA**  
Napa Valley

## VINEYARD NOTES

This Petite Sirah is crafted from two complementary vineyards that showcase unique expressions of one grape. Our latest acquisition, Oso Vineyard, nestled into the warm, dry east side of the Vaca Mountains provides power and depth. Langtry Vineyard, located in the very northeastern corner of the Napa Valley adds layers of ripe fruit and energy. These two vineyards marry together perfectly by combining power and elegance to create an approachable expression of what can otherwise be an intimidating varietal.

## VINTAGE

The 2021 growing season was defined by continued drought conditions that led to lower than average yields and above average quality grapes. A warm summer and fall propelled fruit development along at a brisk pace with grapes from our warmest sites arriving shortly after Labor Day. Blue skies and even temperatures allowed us to pick each vineyard block as it achieved optimal ripeness with all our fruit harvested before a late October storm.

## FERMENTATION & ÉLEVAGE

Fermentation took place in small fully jacketed stainless steel fermenters after a 72 hour cold soak at 55°F. The stainless steel fermenters showcase the purity of the fruit, preserving freshness and allowing the terroir to shine. Maceration lasted 6-8 days at a maximum temperature of 94°F. Malolactic fermentation took place in barrel and finished in early winter. The wine was aged in 50% new Burgundian oak barrels and 50% one-fill oak barrique and puncheon with minimal racking for 18 months before bottling.

## IMPRESSIONS

The 2021 Petite Sirah exhibits the varietal's classic deep, dark, purple hue, leading with aromas of blackberry liqueur and luscious damson plum dusted with hints of vanilla bean and baking spice from toasted French oak barrels. Suede tannins coat the palate while fresh acidity carries a whisper of shaved graphite and flavors of blueberry and cacao through a long, luxurious finish.