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PETITE SIRAH
MENDOCINO COUNTY



20|08 Once used primarily as a blending grape to provide color and structure, Petite Sirah has proven it can stand on its own, yielding complex, intense and ageworthy wines. Mendocino County, with its warmer Mediterranean climate, is an ideal location for this varietal. Warm days allow the fruit to ripen fully, producing powerful, richly flavored wines. This Petite Sirah comes from several vineyards in eastern Ukiah Valley, near Lake Mendocino.

Winemaker Notes

Very dark red with purple and violet hues, this wine has bright black fruit aromas of blackberry, cassis and fig. The flavors are similar, with black cherry and hints of blueberry. A rich mouthfeel of chocolate and mocha creates high texture and a lingering aftertaste from the full, round mature tannin profile. Approachable now, this wine has excellent structure for further bottle aging. This wine pairs with hearty fare, including steaks, stews and grilled meats, as well as creamy and strongly-flavored cheeses.

Appellation: Mendocino County

Blend: 82% Petite Sirah,
13% Zinfandel, 5% Charbono

TA: 0.60 gms/100ml

Harvest Dates: October 17-24, 2008

Bottling Date: June 8, 2010

Aging: 100% French Oak

Ph: 3.66

Alcohol: 14.3%

Mendocino County Vineyards

Mendocino's Mediterranean climate is notable for warmer days, which provide optimal ripening conditions, producing powerful, richly flavored wines, while cool evenings help Petite Sirah retain balanced acidity and good structure.

