



COQUEREL

2019 COQUEREL TERROIR PETITE SIRAH

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OVERVIEW

Coquerel Family Wine Estates is located just beyond the town of Calistoga at the north end of the Napa Valley. The heart and soul of our winery is our estate vineyard, a gorgeous, oak-studded property that sits in the afternoon shadows of the Mayacamas Mountains. Since 2005, we have done extensive enhancement and replanting of the site to ensure world-class fruit from vintage to vintage. The combination of warm temperatures and deep, clay soils makes this ideal terroir for Sauvignon Blanc, our flagship variety. It also produces exceptional Verdelho, Tempranillo, Petite Sirah, Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc. In 2015 we planted 4 acres of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc on our estate. These were planted at a density of 3000 vines/acre using 3309 rootstock and 2 clones 269 and 4. In addition to our estate fruit, we source Cabernet Franc from a premier grower in Napa Valley.

VINTAGE

The vintage 2019 started with a wet winter and spring which provided a good water supply for the beginning of the vines growing season. The last rain was recorded end of May. Our later vineyard pruning strategy, to limit frost control management, also had an impact on delaying bloom until after the last rain which was handsome for our vineyard crop load. From May to veraison (end of July), we successfully controlled powdery mildew, which was a concern in the Napa Valley this year due to the late rain season. From veraison to harvest the weather was cooler than the previous vintage. We harvested our Petite Sirah in the early morning on October 17th.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were de-stemmed, crushed, cold macerated for 24 hours and punched down throughout fermentation to extract as much flavor as possible. The wine was then pressed, barreled before malolactic fermentation and aged 20 months in French oak (25% new). Bottling took place in June of 2020.

TASTING NOTES

Our 2019 Petite Sirah “Walnut Wash” has a nice dark color. The nose has a note of black berries. The palate is dense with soft tannin and a long finish of red cherry. It will pair perfectly with cheese, meat dishes. While this wine drinks beautifully now it will continue to improve over the next decade.

STATISTICS

COMPOSITION	100% Petite Sirah	TA	6.25
VINEYARD	Walnut Wash Estate Vineyard	pH	3.71
REGION	Calistoga, Napa Valley	ALCOHOL	14.7%
AGING	20 months in French oak (25% New)	CASES	100

