

BROWN

NAPA VALLEY

BROWN ESTATE 2010 DUPPY CONQUEROR PETITE SIRAH DESSERT WINE

Background

In 2005, David sent a tank filled with our 2002 Mickey's Block zinfandel to his friend Marko Karakasevic at Charbay to have it distilled into brandy. It left us at 16% alcohol by volume (or 28 proof) and came back at 153 proof. Since then, that dynamite batch of zinfandel brandy has fortified a series of Port style dessert wines, including two vintages of our Arrested Zinfandel and our first vintage of Duppy Conqueror. And now, for its final appearance...

Tasting Notes

This viscous wine clings to the glass, a captivating abyss of darkness encircled by a tantalizing magenta rim. One steady swirl and a deep pink stain washes over the bowl creating a psychedelic pattern all its own. Simultaneously a profound bouquet fills the glass and spills into the room, a subtle explosion of fragrance opening with spun brown sugar, eucalyptus, toffee covered apples, brandied maraschino cherries, and currants topped with Chantilly cream. Further investigation uncovers deeper notes of dark chocolate, bay, and forest pine. Cohesion between the petite sirah and zinfandel brandy is most evident on the palate, where the two become one. Mouthfeel is everything the nose implies yet surprisingly dry. Drink now through the end of time.

Composition

100% Petite Sirah

Appellation

Napa Valley

Barrel Aging

30 months in seasoned French oak

Alcohol

19.5% by vol.

Fortification

Four-year Aged Estate Zinfandel Brandy, Mickey's Block, 2002 Vintage

Production

500 cases in 12 x 375ml format