

BROWN ESTATE 2013 PETITE SIRAH

Composition 95% Petite Sirah

5% Zinfandel

Vineyard Source Petite Sirah – Big Field, Brown Estate

Zinfandel - Chiles Valley Block, Brown Estate

Appellation Napa Valley

Barrel Aging 12 months in 50% new oak, 50/50 French/American

Alcohol 13.5% by vol.

Production 425 cases (12 x 750ml format)

Growing Season

The 2013 growing season was marked by steady, even, constant conditions. A mild and dry spring led to early budbreak with vigorous canopy growth and picture perfect fruit set and development. September surprised us with sudden slight showers that thankfully had virtually no impact on a flawless growing season. Following the dreamlike conditions of 2012, winegrowers once again thanked our lucky stars for another superb year where harvest commenced at our discretion rather than in response to season-ending storms.

Tasting Notes

Dazzling intense blue-black core with electric magenta rim. Nose bursts with opulent Jamaican Christmas cake, cinnamon, nutmeg, cloves, brown sugar, and eucalyptus, followed by violets commingled with new Italian leather, dry resinous herbs, pencil shavings, and a touch of graphite laced with subtle vanilla. Big, bold, and full-bodied with luscious, dense mouthfeel and medium-plus tannins. Pair with something bold like lamb or your favorite cut of beef and Gorgonzola potatoes au gratin. Drink now for a full-throttle experience or age five years to life for a taste of the sublime!