

# BROWN

NAPA VALLEY

## BROWN ESTATE 2022 PETITE SIRAH

The estate fruit component for this wine hails from a small 3-acre block in our Big Field vineyard, with the balance of fruit sourced from a neighboring vineyard in our Chiles Valley subappellation. An outsider to the cult of noble grapes (as is Zinfandel), Petite Sirah is part underdog, part phoenix. Considered lacking in pedigree it triumphs paradoxically on the strength of its many overlooked virtues. A sort of alter ego to Cabernet Sauvignon, unburdened of noblesse oblige, it is everything its royal counterpart aspires to and more. Holding nothing back, neither reserved nor austere, its exuberance and unadulterated power deliver a wallop of fruit, game, and earth. Due to a skipped vintage in 2020, this is vintage no. 14.

### Technical

**Composition:** 100 % Petite Sirah

**Vineyard source:** Brown Estate (35%)  
Gobbler Grove (65%)

**Appellation:** Napa Valley

**Barrel aging:** 8 months in 40% new American oak

**ABV:** 15.2%

**pH:** 3.81

**TA:** 5.5 g/L

**Production:** 700 cases in 12 x 750ml format

### Sensory

**Eye:** Onyx core, fuschia rim.

**Nose:** Blooming lilacs, fresh cut roses, dried sage, bay laurel, spun brown sugar. Secondary notes of subtle tobacco, wild cherries, subtle clove, cardamom, and anise.

**Palate:** Full-bodied with intense fruit, creamy texture, fine tannins, and endless layers. Vibrant acidity and soft, ripe fruit balance seamlessly into a smooth finish.

**Pairing inspo:** Mushroom bread pudding; French onion soup; Beef Wellington; spinach strudel, Swiss chard gratin with crispy gnocchi; osso bucco; crown roast of lamb, etc.!

**Cellar life:** Drink now through 2040.