



# PAPAPIETRO PERRY

2022

*Dry Creek Valley*

Z I N F A N D E L

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The fruit for this release comes from two well-established vineyards right near our winery. Pauline's Vineyard is directly across the street and Tiber Crest Farms is right outside our winery door. They both represent the heart of Dry Creek Valley and have done so for many, many years.

Pauline's Vineyard is an extension of our relationship with Randy Peters of Peters Vineyard. Owned by Randy's dad and named for his mother, Randy manages this vineyard with the same love and skill as he does the Peters Vineyard. The Waltenspiels own Timber Crest Farms, the former producers of Timber Crest Farms dried fruit.

We use many of the same techniques with our Zinfandel as with our Pinot Noir. We cold-soak the grapes in open-top fermenters, a method not commonly used with Zinfandel. The wine is then aged for 15 months in François Frères oak barrels. We always keep the grapes separate throughout the process so we can make blending decisions after the grapes have evolved independently. Because we make our Zinfandel using the same techniques as our Pinot Noir, our Zin appeals to the Pinot lover.

  
OWNER/EXECUTIVE WINEMAKER

  
WINEMAKER

## TASTING NOTES

A unique blend of two vineyards shows the distinctive characteristics of the valley with a garnet color and a complex spectrum of flavors. The nose is balanced with intense dark fruit and herbal and floral notes tightly woven to express a blend of plum, dark cherry, and ripe raspberry. This wine is particularly fruit-forward, with ribbons of fresh herbs, white pepper, and spice that create a compelling mouthful of wine. The French oak barrels create a soft, perfectly balanced texture with an energetic charm that carries through to a long finish.

## WINE PROFILE

**Varietal:** 100% Zinfandel  
**Appellation:** Dry Creek Valley

**Harvest Date:** August, 27, 2022

**Alcohol:** 14.6%

**T.A.:** 5.7g/L

**pH:** 3.7

**RS:** Dry

**Cooperage:** 15 Months in François Frères French Oak  
25% Two Year Old  
75% Three Year Old  
Former Pinot Noir  
Barrels

**Bottled:** January 29, 2024

**Production:** 474 cases / 750ml

**SRP:** \$58

## Papapietro Perry Winery

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