

# BIANCHI

*Paso Robles*



## PETITE SIRAH 2007

Signature Selection, Plummer Vineyard

### Winemaker

Tom Lane

### Vintage

Bianchi 2007 Petite Sirah is again based upon Joe and Karen Plummer's Vineyard just north of the Paso Robles Airport. It is rewarding to work annually with the same growers and fine tune the viticultural and enological peculiarities unique to that growing site. In other words, more experience, better wine. Plummer Vineyard is innovative. To minimize overly sunny late afternoons Joe and Karen have angled the vine rows to point directly at the sun at 3:00 PM. Well appreciated by this winemaker. Fine tuning also applies to the barrels used in aging the Petite. Coopers de Mercurcy as well as Dargaud & Jaegle construct specific heavier toast barrels just for aging this wine. The result is a deep, dark, earthy-coffee, blackberry jam Petite Sirah, the reddest of reds, the boldest of bolds, and anything but petite. Our vintage '07 blend has gone to bottle including 4.8% of our Estate Creekside Ranch Syrah; a nice addition for even more color and tannic backbone.

### Food Pairings

Enjoy this monstrous red with tri-tip, a bit charred on the outside and juicy-red in the middle, or perhaps with a rich blackberry cobbler; a wine for all courses.

### Technical Notes

Varietal Composition:	Petite Sirah 95.2%, Syrah 4.8%
Appellation:	Paso Robles 100%
Residual Sugar:	0.3%
Acidity:	6.1 grams/Liter, pH 3.61
Aging:	28 months in new French and American Oak Barrels
Finished Alcohol:	14.3% by volume
Bottling Date:	May 7, 2010
Total Production:	686 cases of 750mL bottles, 1646 gallons

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