BIANCHI



2019 PS+1 RESERVE BLEND

We call this unique 2019 Red Cuvée our "PS+1", suggesting it is a Petite Sirah, plus more! At 50% Petite Sirah and 50% Zinfandel, this might be our most intensely flavored wine yet. Because our Reserve wines are made in small batches, our winemakers have the freedom to play with a few blending opportunities each year, and they try to combine our varietals in a unique and stylized way. Bold pepper and savory flavors from the Petite Sirah intertwine very naturally with the jammy fruit characteristics of the Zinfandel to create a stunning new combination that is perfect for any celebration—especially one with a big, juicy steak being served!

VINEYARD

The grapes from this one-of-a-kind blend all come from our neighbors in Paso Robles. AaronHill and Boniva in the Templeton Gap sub-AVA grew the Zinfandel, and Plummer Vineyard, just north of us in the Estrella District grew the Petite Sirah. Both Bonivo and AaronHill are known for vines with low yields and high quality—a perfect match for our Reserve wines. The climate in the Templeton Gap AVA where these grapes are grown benefit from relatively cool temperatures and high rainfall for Paso Robles (about 20 inches annually). Because of the precipitation and deep soil pockets in the vineyards, both of these producers are able to dry-farm their vines, growing fruit that is intense in color and flavor.

Plummer Vineyard is located in the Estrella District, just North of the Geneseo AVA, where Bianchi Winery makes its home. Here, under close watch from the notoriously meticulous farmer Joe Plummer, the climate is warm, dry and hilly—the perfect place for Petite Sirah! Wines made from grapes harvested from this vineyard have consistently shown vibrant color and excellent acid/tannin balance. These characteristics of the harvested fruit combined with the skillful hand and playful blending of our winemaker produce a wine that is deep, complex, and bursting with flavor.

TASTING & PAIRING

Appearance: Deep purple with defined rim variation

Aroma: Powerful aromas of pepper and spice, intense red fruit, jammy and stewed black

fruit with a hint of wet stone, black olive, and vanilla

Flavor: Full bodied & bone dry. Flavors of spice, dried and jammy red and black fruit, coffee, vanilla and French oak.

This unique 2019 blend of Petite Sirah and Zinfandel is brought together to deliver a powerful and complex wine with a strong backbone and delicate details. This inky, dark beauty has a big bouquet teeming with pepper and spice and intense red fruit. Flavors match the aromas, providing a cornucopia of jammy red and black fruit, dried cassis, coffee, and a long, lingering spicy vanilla finish. For a perfect pairing, drink this lavish blend with a juicy ribeye, some seasonal roasted vegetables, or your favorite heavy pasta dish!



ABV: 15.8%

Production: 158 cases

Harvest Date: AaronHill – 10/16/19, Boniva –

10/06/19, Plummer - 09/25/19

Varietal: 50% Zinfandel and 50% Petite Sirah

Aging: 24 months in new French oak

Vineyard: AaronHill, Boniva & Plummer

Bottling Date: 04/08/21

Clone: 7 (Zinfandel)

R/S: 0.03 **Acidity**: 3.8pH

Appellation: Paso Robles

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