



RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

ESTATE BOTTLED

PETITE SIRAH

V. 2014



Vineyards Located just south of the town of Healdsburg, Foppiano vineyards sits on 160 acres in the acclaimed appellation of the Russian River Valley. Cool morning fog and warm summer days create an ideal microclimate for grape growing. The Foppiano family has been producing world class fruit on this land since its purchase in 1896. Today the vineyard is planted to Petite Sirah, Zinfandel, and Sauvignon Blanc on the warmer bench lands, and Pinot Noir and Chardonnay on the cooler land close to the Russian River.

Winemaking

We don't want our wines to be over extracted with tannin and unbalanced flavors. Approachable fruit and elegance texture are our goals. Hand punch downs and light pumpovers are best for gentle extraction during fermentation. A long barrel cellaring period softens the finish and ages the wine so that it is ready to drink when released from the winery.

Tasting Notes: The 2014 Petite Sirah is an elegant and complex example of the varietal. Ripe fruit dominates the aromas, with a hint of pepper, toasted bread and licorice. The wine showcases a very substantial mid-pallet with sweet purple plum, black tea, baked cherry, fruit leather and huckleberry. The wine finishes with a pie crust and oaky spice plus the tannins develop into a pleasant textural polish.

VARIETALS 100% PETITE SIRAH

HARVEST DATES Sept 25 – Oct 7, 2014

ALCOHOL 14.9% **PH** 3.68 **TA** 5.9 g/L **RS** 0.96 g/L

NEW OAK BARRELS 18% French, 15% Hungarian, 5% American

22 MONTHS BARREL AGED

BOTTLED JUNE 2016 **CASES PRODUCED** 756