

# FOPPIANO

VINEYARDS

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

ESTATE BOTTLED

PETITE SIRAH

v. 2021



**VINEYARDS:** Located just south of Healdsburg, Foppiano Vineyards sits on 160 acres in the acclaimed 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 vineyards are 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:** The 2021 vintage provided us with some of the best wines we have had to work with in creating our Estate Petite Sirah. Our vines gave us fruit with seductive aromas, complex flavors and deep color. Several years of drought and low yields appears to have concentrated all the intricacies of the palate into something profound. Close observation of the wine's aging progress has shown quality evolution over time and will continue to improve in the bottle.

**TASTING NOTES:** The 2021 Petite Sirah is a sophisticated and sumptuous example of the varietal, one of the most complex examples of Petite Sirah you will find. Blueberry and baked huckleberry lead the aromas, with a hint of white pepper, dried herbs and toasted bread. The flavors mimic the aromas with a substantial mid-pallet of blueberry, black tea, baked cherry, fruit preserves and licorice. The wine finishes with pie crust, oak spice and tannins developing into a pleasant textural polish.

**HARVEST DATES** September 11<sup>th</sup> - October 2<sup>th</sup> 2021

**ALCOHOL** 14.7% **pH** 3.66 **RS** 0.89 g/L **TA** 6.1 g/L

**CELLARING** 24 months in New, Once-Used and Neutral French and American Oak

**BOTTLED** November 2022

**CASES PRODUCED: 5509**

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