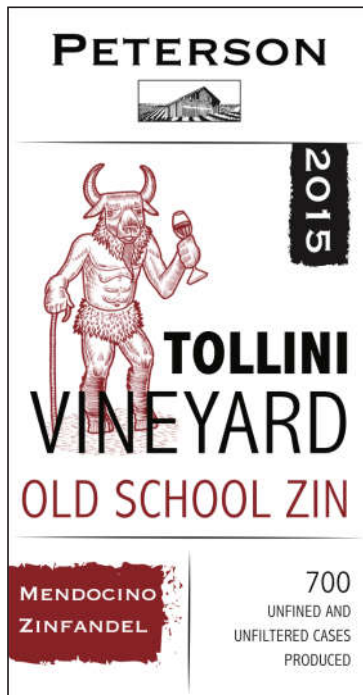


PETERSON



2015 *OLD SCHOOL* ZINFANDEL Tollini Vineyard, Mendocino



Jamie Peterson's Vintaged View

Old School is sometimes described as our “Easy Drinking, No Thinking” Zin, but don’t let that make you think it’s any less serious of a wine than our other bottlings.

After nearly ten years putting together a value priced Zin blend from various Sonoma County grapes, our friend and grower in Mendocino, Alvin Tollini, let us know he had a mature Zinfandel vineyard coming available, and would we be interested in the fruit. We took the opportunity to create a new wine in our line of Tollini Vineyard designated offerings that would showcase what a juicy Zin from the hills of Mendocino’s Redwood Valley could create.

Old School has a style that is full of flavor and character, but not over the top. We want a wine that is refreshing and “highly drinkable” and satisfying. The type of Zin you can either open on a weeknight or take to a party without hesitation. One you can think about and savor...but you really don’t have to.

By blending in percentages of Petite Sirah and Carignane from the same grower, we complement the fruit and jam of the Zin with structure, balance, and spice, without overwhelming the singular terroir of this special place.

Technical Data

Composition:

Varietal Breakdown:

83% Zinfandel
10% Petite Sirah
7% Carignane

Harvest Dates:

Sept. 7
Sept. 15
Sept. 30

Appellation: 100% Tollini Vineyard, Redwood Valley, Mendocino

Alcohol: 16.2%

pH: 3.53

TA: 0.66g/100ml

Barrel Aging: 23 months

Cooperage: 14% new American oak barrels
7% one-year-old French oak barrels
79% older, neutral oak barrels

Bottling Date: August 16, 2017 (unfined & unfiltered)

Production: 700 cases

Release Date: February 2019

Tasting Notes

The deep-set blackberry aromas laced with subtle earth notes only hint at the taste treat to follow. The silken entry quickly reveals a spicy mouthfeel—think black pepper merged with warm brown spices—layered with juicy, rich flavors. Enveloped in a slightly chewy texture, discover ripe blackberry, boysenberry and dark cherry with a hint of savory herbs, and a touch of caramel in the finish. The combination of flavors makes for a mouthfilling Zin experience that expresses everything we love about this varietal.

Enjoy pairing our Old School with some traditional favorites, like sausage and cheese lasagna, or chicken cacciatore served over brown rice.