

MODEL FARM

2016 PETALUMA GAP SYRAH SONOMA COAST

Model Farm is a small vigneron project led by farmers and winemakers Joanna Wells and Sean Castorani. Together they craft their wines from vineyard to bottle, working with the unique rhythms of each vintage and old world winemaking techniques. Each bottling is a pure expression of both time and place.

VINIFICATION NOTES: The grapes are organically farmed by hand without any tractors. All wines undergo native fermentation with the stems in small open top wooden vats. Punch-downs are done by foot, twice a day, before the wine is gently basket pressed then aged in large, older French oak barrels for 18 months. These wines are bottled both unfinned and unfiltered.

VINEYARD NOTES: This single vineyard wine is produced from the Model Farm Vineyard, a two acre plot that was planted to three clones of Syrah in the late nineties. Joanna and Sean, who manage all farming, are the first generation of vintners to label wine under the Petaluma Gap AVA. Foggy mornings, a few fleeting hours of late sunshine, and the namesake consistent wind define the terroir of the Petaluma Gap.

ORIGIN: PETALUMA GAP AVA

HARVEST DATE: SEPTEMBER 18, 2016

ALCOHOL: 12.75%

PRODUCTION: 4 BARRELS PRODUCED



ONE VINEYARD, ONE WINE, TWO PEOPLE.