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TERRA  
d'ORO



2017 PETITE SIRAH

AMADOR COUNTY

#### VINEYARD INFORMATION

Petite Sirah has been planted in California as far back as the 1880's. Today, it is widely used as a blending grape. Varietal bottlings of Petite Sirah are rare gems that highlight the complex flavors of this unique grape. Fruit for the Terra d'Oro 2017 Petite Sirah was handpicked from our vineyards in Amador County. This lot, specifically planted for a varietal bottling of Petite Sirah, produces concentrated fruit with exceptional quality.

#### WINEMAKING

Petite Sirah is typically one of the last varieties to ripen, and the 2017 vintage was no exception. Mild temperatures allowed for slow, even ripening, resulting in wine rich with fresh fruit characteristics and mature tannins. The fragile grape clusters were handpicked at first light, de-stemmed and partially crushed, leaving whole berries for fermentation in stainless steel tanks. The fermenting grapes were pumped-over daily to enhance the extraction of vivid color, flavor and aroma. After settling, the wine was aged in 30% new French and American oak barrels for 14 months before bottling.

#### TASTING NOTES

The Terra d'Oro 2017 Petite Sirah is quintessential Amador County, with its rich, powerful flavor. The nose boasts aromas of sweet cream, raspberry pastry, anise, wet stone, and red currant before giving way to a focused, captivating palate full of soft tannins and dense red fruit characteristics. The flavors are complemented by an elegant, lingering finish. This wine is a perfect fit with hearty meals such as Beef Wellington, Pot Roast, Beef Stew or Shepherds Pie.



#### COMPOSITION:

97% PETITE SIRAH  
2% SYRAH  
1% ZINFANDEL

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

T.A.: 0.6 G/100ML

pH: 3.69

CASE PRODUCTION: 1,720

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