



BESIEGED

2013 SONOMA COUNTY

A Blend of Old Vine California Heritage Varietals

Under a threatening sky. BESIEGED by rain clouds, lightning glinting in the hills, winemaker Joel Peterson worked alone to collect grapes destined for one of his debut wines. As he worked, ravens laughed from above, but instead of being harbingers of doom, they brought him good fortune, becoming the totem for his winery.

THE BLEND: Petite Sirah, Carignane, Zinfandel, Syrah, Barbera, Alicante Bouschet, Mourvèdre

WINE PROFILE: Red-black in color. Rich, robust, and round fruit flavors of blackberry, black cherry, and plum spiced with cardamom. The finish is smooth and satisfying.

APPELLATION: Sonoma County

VINEYARD SOURCING:

Primarily sourced from premium Sonoma County vineyards in:

Alexander Valley: Warm with gravelly soils

Dry Creek Valley: Stone-strewn soils with one of the longest winegrowing histories in California

Sonoma Valley: Cooled by north-south winds, a rarity in North Coast growing regions

Russian River Valley: Only a few miles from the Pacific, fog can drop temperatures 35-40 degrees in the evening

Knights Valley: Remote vineyards embraced by Mount St. Helena

Sonoma Mountain: High-altitude, steep-sloped vineyards with well-drained soils

Small quantities of grapes also sourced from some of the best vineyards in California's North Coast, Central Coast, and Lodi winegrowing regions.

FERMENTATION PROFILE: Fermented on skins in small tanks for 7-14 days

AGING: Aged in French oak barrels (40% new) for 10 months

ALCOHOL: 14.5%

TA: 6.1g/L

PH: 3.6

