



2005 Petit Verdot Napa Valley

Tasting Notes:

We are excited to release our first ZD Rosa Lee Petit Verdot. This varietal is historically used as a blending grape in Bordeaux, France. Petit Verdot has proven to shine as a stand alone wine in Napa Valley. Typically a late ripening grape it warms to our California sunshine and expresses attributes of dense color, intense aromas of blackberry and violets, and a wonderful mid-palate. The grapes for this wine were harvested from Frank Wood & Sons Vineyard in Rutherford, one of few plantings in all of Napa Valley. The approach for this wine includes hand punch downs, gentle rackings and 100% American Oak for aging. The wine spent 15 months in barrel and was bottled late in 2006. It is currently showing very pronounced forward fruit with bright blackberry and plum notes, hints of violet and clove, and an integration of vanilla and toast. A varietal known for very powerful tannins, this new release wine is big, but extremely well balanced producing a very dense, rich, mouth coating experience. Drinking great right now, it will be an interesting one to watch as it ages. We bottled only 340 cases. We hope you enjoy it! 340 cases. We hope you enjoy it!

~ Chris Pisani, Winemaker

\$45/750ml bottle

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