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Very Dark Red

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The blend of Petite Sirah and Petit Verdot grapes are sourced from some of Monterey County's warmer, more southern vineyard sites, which are shielded by the Santa Lucia Mountains and the Gabilan Range. Aged for 12 months in French, American and Hungarian oak perfects a certain array of "seasoning" and character to this expressive wine. The result is a complete sensory experience that offers a glimpse into the personality of these two powerful, fruity, and dense varieties. Ripe aromas of black cherry and milk chocolate lead to teeth grabbing black tea tannins. With further exploration, a juiciness ensues, with notes of roses, sweet beets, and cherry vanilla. With a balanced acidity and red berry aromatics persisting, this wine strikes a fine deal with such dishes as grilled lamb or meat stews.

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