FIRST TIME CALLER 2020 PETITE SIRAH

Varietal: Petite Sirah

AVA: Paso Robles Highlands

Vineyards: French Camp, Shell Creek

Production: 643 cases made

Oak: 86% New French Oak

Time in Barrel: 18 months

Alcohol: 15.9 %

Cellar potential: 10+ years

Release date: March 19, 2021

TASTING NOTES

They didn't explicitly tell you not to play football in the Garden of Versailles, but when Carl gets tackled into a fountain and Kurt stiff-arms a statue, you draw some attention. Soon, jet-setting tourists and French elites have lined the lawn, clad in lavender dresses and earthy blueberry button-ups. Thyme, wet stones, and spicy rose accompany every sack and one-handed grab. The crowd gets rowdier by the minute. And when security shows up, you're high-stepping through the daffodils—time to show them exactly why you were all-state in high school.

NOTES

Ultra extracted by California sunshine and a bit of that classic Russell P. From "don't pick it till you've finished your Christmas shopping" magic, this is the most dangerous wine I've made yet. For anyone who drinks French roast and likes their bacon extra crispy.

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SERVING Temperature: 65° F

Decant: 1 hour

ABOUT

Proprietor and winemaker Russell P. From began Herman Story Wines in 2001 with 7 barrels stashed in his employer's cellar. What started as a modest homage to his rancher grandfather has become a beacon to those seeking opulent, structured Syrah and Grenache. To maintain balance while giving flavor full stage, Russell works with 30 top-tier vineyards in over 7 distinct growing regions between Santa Barbara and Paso Robles. These are no nonsense, balls to the walls wines that are not for the faint of heart or the pinky raising set.



