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# CLINE

SINGLE VINEYARD SERIES

*Lucchesi Vineyard*

PETITE SIRAH  
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY  
v. 2016

## VINEYARDS

The 2016 Cline Petite Sirah is made from grapes grown on the 3 acre Lucchesi Vineyard. Planted in deep, sandy soil and dry farmed, we feel that this 40 year old vineyard provides us with an intensity and richness that yields our highest quality Petite Sirah grapes.

## FERMENTATION & AGING

These grapes were hand picked at the peak of ripeness. They underwent total de-stemming and a very gentle crushing to ensure a large portion of whole berries were left in the must. Fermentation occurred in stainless steel tanks with select cultured yeasts. It was then maintained at the ideal temperature to aid in the extraction of flavor and color. The wine was pressed off its skins at dryness before being racked to medium-toasted French Oak (approximately 40% new) where it was gently aged for 12 months and then stored in neutral cooperage.

## WINEMAKER'S NOTES

This is our third year producing this reserve Petite Sirah. The grapes have previously contributed to the blends of our flavorful Zinfandels but we felt these high quality grapes deserved a chance to stand alone—and we haven't been disappointed.

## TECHNICAL DATA

Composition: .....100% Petite Sirah  
Appellation: ..... Contra Costa County  
Vineyard Designation: ..... Lucchesi Vineyard  
Harvest Date: ..... September 12  
Alcohol: .....15.5%  
Brix at Harvest: ..... 26.4°  
Total Acidity: .....57g/100ml  
Final pH: ..... 3.86  
Residual Sugar: .....0.42%  
Oak Aging: ..... 12 Months

