

RESERVE

2020 PETITE SIRAH, CAPTAIN JOE'S

LIVERMORE VALLEY

ALC. 14.4% | TA 6.1 | PH 3.75 | CASES 705

TASTING NOTE

Lush with aromas of black fruit with subtle hints of roasted almonds and cinnamon. The bramble berries and plum flavors are unified with notes of spice and vanilla. Its rich structure gives way to firm tannins and a long finish.

VINEYARD

Our Captain Joe's fruit was harvested from Estate Block 11 and Block 12. These blocks are on the north side of South Livermore Ave where it intersects with Concannon Blvd. The austere, gravelly and rocky top soil causes excellent drainage and low water retention which encourage roots to delve deep into rich subsoils to find nourishment.

VINTAGE

After a dry winter the 2020 growing season began with typical temperatures and normal timing for bud break and flowering. As summer progressed, there were some heat waves and we experienced poor air quality from the Complex Fires during the fall months. Fortunately, the smoke was not heavy enough in Livermore Valley to impact our grapes. The quality fruit produced balance wines with great acidity although the yields were slightly below average.

