



LOT 09 47.5° RED WINE LIMITED EDITION BLEND SELECTED FROM OUR FINEST BARRELS

This special, limited-edition, proprietary red blend is composed of three of the best red varieties of Lodi: Petite Sirah, Syrah and Mourvèdre. Fermentation is accomplished with native yeasts and native malo-lactic bacteria. Grapes are never pressed, but rather naturally free-run drained overnight. For the final blend, we sampled all of our barrels to choose only those that would make the most beautiful music together.

Steve Borra is a time-honored, traditional Italian winegrape-grower, using modern-day advances to nurture his vines. Each vineyard block is harvested only when perfectly ripe, with lots vinified separately, leveraging the latest in high-end winemaking techniques.

Tasting Notes

Bold and jammy black currants resonating with deep, dark and almost dusty molasses, cedar and white pepper create a complex whirlwind of aromas. There are big unwimpy tannins holding an exquisite filling of concentrated blackberry and red plum with well-integrated oak presenting a fine charred meatiness. Fig and coffee join in with pepper to crown a memorable, lasting vinous experience. A comforting accompaniment would be slow-braised red wine lamb shanks with demi-glace, falling off the bone.

Statistics

Appellation:	Lodi
Blend:	80% Petite Sirah, 10% Syrah, 10% Mourvèdre
Harvested:	Mostly in October 2009
Winemaking:	Free-run juice only, 21 months 75% new French oak
Bottled:	August 10, 2011
Alcohol:	14.5%
pH:	3.52
TA:	6.0 g/L
Cases Produced:	96