## IRONSTONE

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# 2014 LODI PETITE SIRAH

#### **Winemaker Notes**

If you love a big, red wine, our 2014 Petite Sirah is a "must have". Succulent and rich, its rich, deep, dark purple inky color leads way to bold aromas of warm berry pie and loads of blueberry mixed with vanilla and light а pepper spice. Its full flavor of lush berries mixed with dark chocolate, warm cedar and vanilla gives way to a delightfully smooth finish with moderate tannins.

#### **Vineyard Notes**

The Kautz Family grows these Petite Sirah grapes in their Teichert Ranch vineyard in the Sloughouse subappellation of the Lodi
AVA. These soils contain
large stones
throughout, They are
well-drained soils ideal
for growing world-class
winegrapes.

# Sustainable Viticultural Practices

At Ironstone, we use crop reduction, leaf removal. organic materials. and drip irrigation to improve the quality and intensity of flavors. Cover crops. which attract beneficial insects. are also employed. In addition, we place owl and wood duck boxes around the vineyards and ponds helping to preserve the surrounding habitats.

#### Serving Suggestions

Our Petite Sirah is a perfect wine to serve with dishes like veal saltimbocca or braised beef with winter vegetables. You can also try it with other dishes that contain a variety of mushrooms.

### Technical Information

Appellation: Lodi

Blend:

95% Petite Sirah 5% Syrah

Alcohol: 14.5% TA: 6.2 grams/liter pH: 3.69 RS: .6 g/l

Aging: Two months, new French oak

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