

Sewell

2015

Blend: 58% Petite Sirah, 42% Tempranillo

Alcohol: 14% abv **TA:** 5.81 g/L **pH:** 3.66

Case Production: 860 cases

Date Bottled: 5/11/17

Grape Source(s):

Petite Sirah - Contra Costa County, Central Coast, CA

Tempranillo - Rosebud Vineyards, Columbia Valley AVA, WA

Aging: 19 months in oak barrels - 97% used, 3% new French/American hybrid

Winemaker Notes: Named for our youngest son, Sewell means "mighty at sea." To live up to this name, we needed a bold and unique blend. We started with Petite Sirah which was harvested at the end of August from Contra Costa County in California. The 2015 harvest in California was a stellar vintage - one of the earliest on record and although Contra Costa County is a hot growing region, the temperature is moderated by the cool afternoon breezes from San Francisco and Suisun bays. This diurnal flux gives way to grapes with ripe flavors, balanced chemistry and firm tannin structure. To this, we added our Tempranillo which we sourced from the Columbia Valley AVA in Washington state. While the 2015 vintage in Washington state was the hottest to date, mild conditions near harvest left us with wines that exhibited both power and elegance. This combination of Petite Sirah and Tempranillo is a mighty blend indeed.

Tasting Notes: Bold and unique, the firm tannins on this blend of 58% Petite Sirah and 42% Tempranillo wrap around flavors of black currant, plum compote and fresh tobacco.

Awards:

Gold - 2018 Jefferson Cup Invitational Wine Competition

Gold - 2019 Great American International Wine Competition

Pairing Suggestions:

- Beef stew
- Braised lamb
- Spicy Sausage with Caramelized Onions

Price: \$22.00

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