



## FROG'S LEAP

### 2007 PETITE SIRAH *Galleron Vineyard — Rutherford*

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#### THE BLEND

100% Petite Sirah

#### PRODUCTION

794 cases

#### RELEASE DATE

September 2009

#### STATISTICS

harvested —

August 31 and September 21

24.3° brix at harvest

14.1% alcohol

5.8 gr/1 total acidity

3.68 pH

aged 10 ½ months

on French oak

#### WINEMAKERS

John Williams

Paula Moschetti

#### A BRIEF HISTORY

For over 100 years, Cabernet Sauvignon has been the grape of choice in Rutherford — Niebaum, Tchelisteff, and Daniel all established that fact. However, during that time, another red grape began to slowly gain fame in Rutherford, albeit on a much smaller stage. Petite sirah was grown alongside the zinfandels of the day by many an old time grower and it was known to thrive in the “dust.”

During the initial planting of the Galleron Vineyard in 1998, Frank Leeds, our vineyard guru, gave his uncle and pioneering grape grower, Roy Chavez, a tour. When Roy saw the gravelly soils that stretch across the south side, he intuitively uttered, “You should put some Pets on that gravel.” And so we did. There are some who believe that every patch of soil in the Napa Valley can be matched to a particular varietal and yield extraordinary results. We can't say that for sure, but when it comes to this little Petite sirah, we feel we have found a match made in heaven.

#### ABOUT THE WINE

As we drew early barrel samples, this rich Petite Sirah hooked us with its dark indigo hue and intense fragrance. Captivating aromatics of ripe blueberry are revealed at the core, while flavors of cassis, tobacco smoke and damp earth unfold to present a provocative wine with bright acidity, supple tannins and a long finish. Intense and weighty this little Petite is a great complement to roasted meat dishes or decadent, dark chocolate.