BESIEGED

2014 SONOMA COUNTY

A Blend of Old Vine California Heritage Varietals

Under a threatening sky BESIEGED by rain clouds, lightning glinting in the hills, winemaker Joel Peterson worked alone to collect grapes destined for one of his debut wines. As he worked, ravens laughed from above, but instead of being harbingers of doom, they brought him good fortune, becoming the totem for his winery.

THE BLEND: Petite Sirah, Carignane, Zinfandel, Syrah, Alicante Bouschet, Barbera

WINE PROFILE: Dark, rich, full flavors ignite your senses with blackberry, black cherry, and baking spices, resolving into a delicious, smooth, satisfying finish. Full bodied with firm, but fine, tannins.

APPELLATION: Sonoma County

VINEYARD SOURCING:
Primarily sourced from premium Sonoma County vineyards in:
Alexander Valley: Warm with gravelly soils
Dry Creek Valley: Stone-strewn soils with one of the longest winegrowing histories in California
Sonoma Valley: Cooled by north-south winds, a rarity in North Coast growing regions
Russian River Valley: Only a few miles from the Pacific, fog can drop temperatures 35-40 degrees in the evening
Knights Valley: Remote vineyards embraced by Mount St. Helena
Sonoma Mountain: High-altitude, steep-sloped vineyards with well-drained soils
Small quantities of grapes also sourced from some of the best vineyards in California's North Coast, Central Coast, and Lodi winegrowing regions.

FERMENTATION PROFILE: Fermented on skins in small tanks for 7-14 days

AGING: Aged in French oak barrels (40% new) for 10 months

ALCOHOL: 14.5%
TA: 5.99g/L
PH: 3.65