



R COLLECTION FIELD BLEND 2017



IN THE VINEYARD

The 2017 vintage was marked by extreme conditions that reduced crop size, starting with abundant winter rainfall and mild spring weather, which led to vigorous vines. The growing season saw three heat spikes, including one over Labor Day weekend. The hot year did ensure that the vast majority of fruit was off the vines when the Wine Country wildfires broke out on October 8, 2017.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

The R Collection Field Blend harkens back to the early days in California viticulture when vineyards had several different varietals planted together, and an entire vineyard would be harvested and vinified together, often producing remarkably unique wines from multiple varietals.

Our winemaking team has revived this tradition of blending multiple varietals together to produce a standout wine. The 2017 R Collection Field Blend elegantly brings together five core varietals: Cabernet Sauvignon, Zinfandel, Petite Sirah, Petite Verdot and Merlot for a wine that is layered and complex.

WINE PROFILE

Our 2017 R Collection Field Blend is a complement to any occasion, whether a casual dinner at home or a more formal gathering with friends and family. Bright fruit aromas of raspberry and cherry are balanced by a hint of anise. This medium-bodied and well-balanced wine showcases flavors of strawberry and blueberry and has a long, satisfying finish.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol: 14.5%

pH: 3.65

TA: 5.8 g/L