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2016 Turley Petite Syrah, Napa Valley

2016 is the inaugural vintage of Turley's newest wine, the Napa Valley Petite Syrah. This wine is a combination of fruit from three certified organic Napa vineyards: Rattlesnake Ridge on Howell Mountain, which lends excellent structure and tannin; our Estate Petite Syrah in St. Helena, with its classic garrigue and dark fruits; and Casa Nuestra, adjacent to our St. Helena Estate, which adds the dark florals and older vine complexity. These prestigious vineyards together make for a wine truly expressive of both Napa Valley and the excellent, elegant, truly Californian (though rarely represented) grape we hold dear, Petite Syrah.

Deeply pigmented and purple-black in color, the nose offers dark purple flowers like violets, along with cracked black pepper, indian ink and a tiny hint of smoked game and savory herbs. Though we see some traditional Petite Syrah density up front on the palate, overall the weight is much lighter than the color and depth of the nose would have you believe. Make no mistake, this is still a medium-plus to full-bodied wine, with plenty of dark fruits, a hint of mountain tannins, and a long, pure finish that lingers on the palate. A perfect wine for the colder months ahead.



Rattlesnake Ridge Petite Syrah, Howell Mountain, Napa Valley