Carol Shelton

## 2012

**ROCKPILE RESERVE** 

## **Petite Sirah**

Rockpile Vineyard, Rockpile

Our *Rockpile Reserve*<sup>®</sup> titles designate a series of elegant red wines from the Rockpile AVA, 1000-2000 feet above Lake Sonoma and the Dry Creek Valley in NW Sonoma County. The Petite Sirah is the from the Parks' Rockpile Vineyard, one of the first vineyards to be planted in the AVA, back in 1988. It is not a "rip your face off" Petite, but graciously styled while still full bodied, and packed with black pepper and sweet oak.

Winemaker's Tasting Notes:

Passionate purple in color, lively black peppery spice on perfumey blue-blackberry fruit along with Cedary oak spice, dusty cocoa, warm vanilla creme at finish, structured tannins for aging.

Harvest Date: Average Brix at Harvest: Average TA/pH at Harvest:

Fermentation Characteristics:

Cellar Storage/Aging:

Alcohol: Total Acidity: pH:

Varietal :

Appellation :

Cases produced: Bottling Date: Release Date:

(707) 575-3441 phone (707) 575-0245 FAX 24.3°Brix 0.50 gm/100ml pH: 3.70

October 10, 2012

4 days cold soak, total 15 days on skins Fermented in T-bins with 5 different yeasts, punched down by hand two times/day

20 months in oak---80% 3-yr-old French 20% new American

14.7% 0.64 gm/100ml 3.48

100% Petite Sirah

100% Park-Rockpile Vineyard, at 2000-ft elevation (off grid/sustainable solar) Rockpile, Sonoma County

229 cases August 2, 2014 February 15, 2015

> Carol Shelton Wines 3354-B Coffey Lane Santa Rosa, CA 95403





## ROCKPILE RESERVE®

2012 PETITE SIRAH ROCKPILE VINEYARD ROCKPILE SONOMA COUNTY 14.5% ALC BY VOL

wines@carolshelton.com www.carolshelton.com