# 2020 Tievoli Red Blend





## Awards

95 Pts, Gold - 2022 New York International Wine Competition 91 Pts, Gold - 2022 Critic's Challenge International Wine Comp 90 Pts, Gold - 2022 OC Fair Commercial Wine Competition Gold - 2022 New Orleans Wine & Food Experience

### **Tasting Notes**

Tievoli Red Blend is a mix of Zinfandel, Petite Sirah, Barbera and Sangiovese that creates layers of complexity with flavors of dark fruits, such as blackberries and black cherries. These flavors are intertwined with notes of vanilla and black tea. It is rich in flavors but medium bodied. The balanced aromas and the vibrant acidity give a velvety and persistent finish.

# **Vineyard Notes**

This unique blend contains four different grape varietals all grown sustainably in Lodi and certified under Lodi Rules. Zinfandel is the backbone of this blend, followed by Barbera, Petite Sirah and Sangiovese. The Zinfandel comes from vineyards with sandy loam and light clay. The Barbera is from our Estate Property and is on a vertical shoot position trellis system. The Barbera is a key variety to this wine because it adds the acidity backbone. It helps brighten the wine. The Petite Sirah is on special rootstock to maintain a lower vigor and trained to a vertical shoot position trellis system. Lastly, just a little bit of Sangiovese from our Estate Property that helps the balance of the blend with its acidity, fruitiness and dryness.

# Winemaker Notes

All 4 of these Varieties were hand picked and destemmed to tank. They were inoculated separately to ferment. Upon completion of primary and secondary fermentation the varieties were combined and aged in 25% new French and American Oak for 17 months before being bottled.

Vintage: 2020 Varietal: 78% Zinfandel, 11% Barbera, 9% Petite Sirah, 2% Sangiovese Appellation: Lodi Fermentation: Inoculated Aging: French & American Oak TA: 5.4 g/L pH: 3.62 Alcohol: 14.5% Residual Sugar: 0.36% Cases Produced: 7,835

