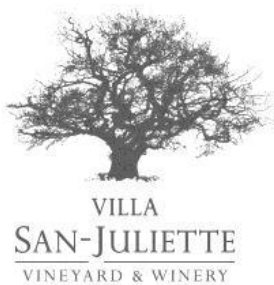


2010 PETITE SIRAH

As those who've read my notes on this wine before can attest, I tend to find our Petite Sirah a bit too jammy and one dimensional on its own. Great if you are producing an aperitif, not so great if you are producing wine for food. So the 2010 Villa San-Juliette Petit Sirah benefits, as in past blends, from a generous dollop of Cabernet Sauvignon. About 15% was all that was needed to take this young wine into a new state. So the intensity of the varietal still pops through on the nose and in the primary fruit flavors, but there is a rough tannin edge that takes the sweetness down a notch and provides a platform for food flavors and textures to stand on. This wine has a blueberry and black fruit nose while dark fruit attack with flavors that open in their own peculiar order as the wine works its way towards the back of the throat. Pretty solid acid for this varietal example supports the finish for a considerable time.

- Matt Ortman, winemaker

APPELLATION	Paso Robles
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	85% Petite Sirah, 15% Cabernet Sauvignon
COOPERAGE	16 months new and neutral French oak
ALCOHOL	15.5%
TOTAL ACIDITY	0.65 g/100ml
pH	3.72



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