

2015 ZINFANDEL
napa valley

In 1983, Tony and Herta Peju bought thirty acres of vines in the famed Rutherford district of the Napa Valley. Since then, the Peju family has maintained a meticulous focus on the vineyard, which has grown to include a proactive approach to sustainability and environmental consciousness. That longstanding commitment and respect for the grapes can be tasted with each sip of these balanced and elegant wines. Still family-owned and operated with daughters Lisa and Ariana poised to take the helm, Peju Winery has become an integral piece of the Napa Valley landscape.

VINEYARD

Peju's Rutherford Estate is a California Certified Organic vineyard, and is planted primarily with Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Cabernet Franc. Persephone Ranch is sustainably farmed and its Pope Valley climate is suited to grow Sauvignon Blanc, as well as Zinfandel, Syrah, Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, and Merlot. Drawing from such varied terroir, the wines exhibit the perfect blend of mountain-fruit focus and Rutherford complexity.

VINTAGE

2015 saw early bud break, giving way to a cool spring and a generally even and warm growing season. Temperature surges during the final weeks of growth expedited harvest, making it one of the earliest harvests Napa Valley has ever had. With the drought enduring as a serious issue facing California, 2015 saw lower than expected yields. Though there are challenges that come with low yields, there is also the benefit of a higher concentration of flavor in each grape. 2015 wines are showing to be increasingly complex with wonderful, fruit forward aromatics and stunning depth of flavor.

TASTING

Alluring aromas of Bing cherries, brown sugar and roasted coffee mingle with hints of cocoa and forest floor to introduce this 2015 Zinfandel. Dark and jammy fruit flavors of blackberry, wild raspberry and cassis appear on the palate followed by a lingering finish. Layered and complex with dark undertones, this is the perfect wine for roasted wild game, rich winter stews or wild mushroom lasagna.

APPELLATION

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VINEYARD

persephone, rutherford

COMPOSITION

89% zinfandel, 11% cabernet sauvignon

COOPERAGE

american oak, 25% new

AGING

16 months

ALCOHOL

15.5%

TA

6.6 g/l

PH

3.57

HARVEST DATE

october 2014

BOTTLING DATE

june 2016

RELEASE DATE

may 2017

CELLARING

enjoy now through 2019

SRP

\$42 | \$504