

2011 Rockpile Petite Sirah

Madrone Spring Vineyard

Vintage

2011

Varietal

Petite Sirah

Appellation

Rockpile

Vineyard Designation

Madrone Spring Vineyard

Composition

96% Petite Sirah 4% Zinfandel

Production

188

Fermentation

16 months oak barrels 100% French

Alcohol %

14.57



Our family's Rockpile Ridge Vineyards are located at nearly 1,200-ft. elevation in the Rockpile appellation. The Petite Sirah is planted in the Madrone Spring block which is named after a year-round spring that flows out of the roots of an old Madrone tree. This portion of the vineyard is planted in extremely porous soils which is ideal for Petite Sirah. The block has a southeastern sun exposure, giving the fruit maximum sun from the morning to mid-day, ensuring that it ripens, but not too quickly. It is one of the last blocks harvested year in and year out and it shows in the complexity of flavor.