

Kiona

ESTATE RED MOUNTAIN BIG KIONA

With a name that's also a description, Big Kiona stands alone in our lineup as the raucous, edgy cousin to its buttoned-up, traditionally-styled brethren. Three powerhouse varieties in one, throw-out-the-rulebook blend? Let's gooooo!

Heart of the Hill Petite Sirah headlines, and for good reason: it's got intense concentration, Chuck Norris tannin structure, and inky dark, black-hole coloration. There's no way to make Red Mountain Petite Sirah into a svelte, elegant wine. Be ready to get kicked in the face.

We farm one of the only Zinfandel blocks in the AVA up at Ranch at the End of the Road, where the wines are intense and fruit-forward. The variety tends to ripen unevenly, resulting in late, high-sugar picks. In this jammy, high-alcohol guise, it's a perfect complement to Petite Sirah.

Last but not least, Petit Verdot needs no introduction as the moodiest, broodiest Bordeaux red cultivar out there. When "King Cabernet" needs *more* structure or *more* tannin, Petit Verdot is often the solution. Here it adds a savory and herbal counterpoint to the fruit-forward tendencies of Petite Sirah and Zinfandel.

AVA // 100% Red Mountain AVA

VINEYARD SOURCES // 67% Heart of the Hill, 33% Ranch at the End of the Road

VARIETAL COMPOSITION // 53% Petite Sirah, 33% Zinfandel, 14% Petit Verdot

VERTICAL BLEND PERCENTAGES // 35% 2018, 62.3% 2019, 2.7% 2021

WINEMAKING // Optical sorting, small lot whole-berry ferments with twice-daily punchdowns, 18% new French, 6.8% new American, 100% ML

CASE PRODUCTION // 1,082 12x750mL cases, bottled June 2023

WORLD CLASS IN LIGHTER GLASS // 470-gram eco-glass, no capsule, natural cork

pH // 3.67 TA // 5.3 g/L VA // 0.55 g/L GLU + FRU // 0.79 g/L

VEGAN // Yes VERSION // 2

