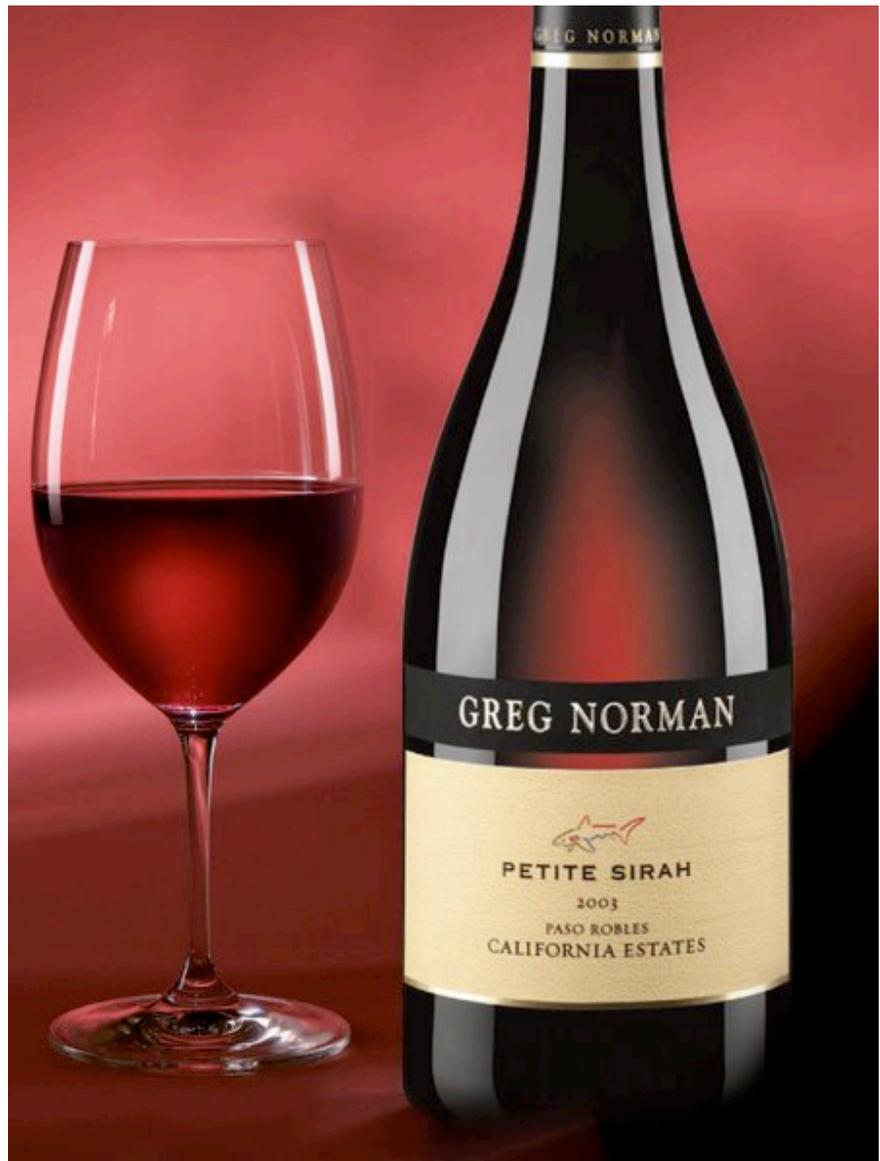


# PETITE SIRAH

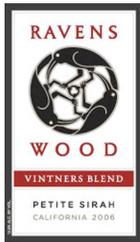
First planted in the 19th century in California, the petite sirah grape was a mystery for a very long time. It wasn't until 1997 that the grape was identified as being genetically identical to the durif grape in France. Petite sirah was long used as a blending grape for what was known as 'Burgundy' in California. The grape grows as small, compact berries with a very high skin-to-juice ratio that results in an almost inky-dark color and high tannins. This allows petite sirah to have a great aging potential. As a stand alone varietal, petite sirah in California outshines its twin in France. It produces a relatively acidic wine with herbal and black pepper components complimenting the dark fruits.

## RED RIVER VALLEY AWS WINE TASTING

Saturday, 21 February 2009



# THE WINES



## RAVENSWOOD 2006 VINTNER'S BLEND

Violet and plum aromas. Dark fruit, nutmeg and pepper. Dark chocolate notes emerge in the mid-palate and carry through the finish which also shows understated hints of sour cherry.

**Varietal** 92% petite sirah, 8% syrah  
**Price** 7.97



## CONCANNON 2005 CENTRAL COAST

Nose: Blackberry, tar and a little eucalyptus, Primarily black cherry and plum, with a hint of cedar, raspberry, and very dark spice.

**Varietal** 95% petite sirah, 2.5% merlot, 1% petit verdot, + others  
**Price** 12.99



## GREG NORMAN 2006 PASO ROBLES

Scents of violet and raspberry. Juicy blackberry pie, plum and dried fruit. It is rich and lush, and has just the right amount of spiciness in the finish.

**Varietal** 100% petite sirah  
**Price** 15.99



## DAVID BRUCE 2005 CENTRAL COAST

This wine displays intense fruity aromas of raspberry and blueberry. Full, dense and fleshy texture with a long velvety finish.

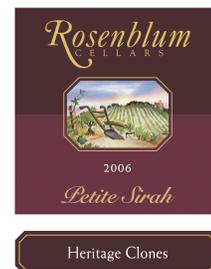
**Varietal** petite sirah  
**Price** 17.99



## BOGLE 2006

Boysenberry and blueberry aromas. Inky and jammy black fruits, currents, berries and spice with toasty oak and subtle hints of cocoa and leather.

**Varietal** petite sirah  
**Price** 12.99



## ROSENBLUM 2006 HERITAGE CLONES

This wine exhibits great color with a bouquet and flavors of ripe blackberries, plums, chocolate, black pepper, violets and spice.

**Varietal** 98% petite sirah, 2% zinfandel  
**Price** 18.99



## TWO ANGELS 2005 SHANNON RIDGE HIGH VALLEY

Savory aromas of dark berry, violets, pomegranate, tamarind and roasted game. Abundant fruit flavors are nicely integrated with toasted oak and roasted coffee.

**Varietal** 100% petite sirah  
**Price** 27.99



## BOGLE 2005 PHANTOM

Aromas of plums and cherries are embraced by touches of black pepper. Subtle notes of anise, juniper and vanilla compliment the concentrated fruit.

**Varietal** 55% petite sirah, 42% zinfandel, 3% mourvèdre  
**Price** 18.99

