

2019 Wild Rover Petite Sirah Paso Robles, California



The Wine:

94% Petite Sirah with 6% Zinfandel from the Tackitt Family Estate Vineyards. Leon Tackitt is the owner of Tackitt Family Vineyards in Paso Robles which specializes in Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Cabernet Sauvignon. Aged in American and French oak (50/50) for 24 months to soften the big tannins and acidity of the Petite Sirah varietal. There were only four barrels made in 2019 - just under 100 cases.

The Estate:

Wild Rover wines are the result of the collaboration between Quigley Fine Wines and winemaker Leon Tackitt, of Tackitt Family Vineyards in Paso Robles, CA. Leon Tackitt's grandfather planted the first vines on the family's small vineyard back in the 1970's. After retiring from a 28-year career as a US Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal officer and looking for something slightly less stressful Leon and his wife began Tackitt Family Vineyards in 2007. Specializing in Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Cabernet Sauvignon and producing small quantities of handcrafted wines the partnership between QFW and Tackitt Family Vineyards began in 2015 with small lots of intensely flavored and authentically Paso Robles - styled wines.

Tasting Notes:

Color: Deep purple.

Aromas: Ripe black plums, cocoa powder, and blackstrap molasses.

Flavor & Texture: Chewy black plums, baking spices and dark chocolate. The texture is big and round with plush dense tannins.

Food Pairing: Mesquite grilled BBQ baby back ribs with a sweet, tangy sauce served with coleslaw and cornbread.

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