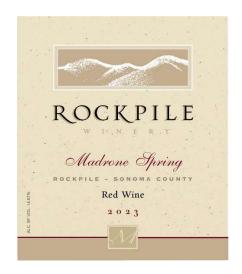


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2023 Rockpile "Madrone Spring" Red Wine

235 Cases **Production:**

Appellation: Rockpile

48% Petite Sirah Composition:

> 41% Zinfandel 11% Syrah

Vineyard: Madrone Spring Vineyard

Alcohol: 14.57 % by volume

14 months in oak barrels Aging:

100% French

Winemakers' Perspective

Located within our family's Rockpile Ridge Vineyard, the Madrone Spring block is composed of three distinct varietals: Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Syrah. This site has the coolest microclimate in Rockpile, due to the northwest orientation, and it produces wines of great vitality and distinction.

Our intention with the Madrone Spring release is to create a blend that exemplifies this unique area of our original homesteaded property and showcases the extraordinary affinity and alchemy of the varietals. Originally dominated by Zinfandel and complemented with Petite Sirah and Syrah, this blend has varied by release. Regardless of the varietal breakdown, our goal is always to make the best wine that expresses the site in a specific vintage.

Petite Sirah plays a dominant role in our 2023 Madrone Spring Red Wine. With intense pigmentation, this release combines notes of crushed sweet blueberries, cured meats, herbed olive and toasted almond with undertones of vanilla pod and powdered sugar. Firm and voluptuous tannins, a hallmark of Rockpile fruit, provide further reward. This gorgeous blend would benefit from at least 12+ months of bottle age and will be best enjoyed over the next 7+ years.

Cheers,

Clay Mauritson Owner

Emma Kudritzki Hall Winemaker