Sonoma Classico: the standard by which all others are measured

Definition of a classic: judged over a period of time to be of the highest quality and outstanding of its kind.

Sonoma County’s classic roots are in those early blends ranging from “Burgundy”, “Claret” and “Mountain Red” to today’s high-end “Red Wine Blends”. These wines have been a regular part of Sonoma County’s heritage. Sonoma Classico is the next step in the evolution of these blends. The classic style invites you to gather around the table as it becomes part of the meal not the centerpiece. It is the sharing of this wine with family and friends that defines it as a classic: Sonoma Classico.

The Vineyard & Cellar

Small lots were chosen in order to bring site specific qualities into focus within the blend; fresh black pepper and berry aspects combined with the herbaceous and plum characteristics reflects these varietals as grown in Dry Creek Valley. The grapes were harvested, depending on varietal, over the month of September following a wet spring and perfect growing conditions during the summer. Excellent quality and high intensity of aromas and bright acids are a result.

Barrel aging took place over 10 months in new and seasoned American oak barrels with 25% new oak. Working toward an approachable style, the time in oak softens the wine and adds complex layers to the finished product. The oak influence is nuanced and a supporting player because of the judicious use of new oak blended with neutral barrels.

Tasting Notes

From the fruit forward aromas to the lingering flavors, Sonoma Classico brings the characteristics of each varietal into focus: blueberry, elderberry, warm baking spice and hints of toasted oak. A full bodied blend, there is an underlying structure of medium tannins bringing balance along with oak notes and spice on the finish.

Technical Information

COMPOSITION A proprietary blend of Merlot, Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Syrah

APPELLATION Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County

ALCOHOL 14.4%

pH 3.80

TOTAL ACIDITY .555g/100ml

Sonoma Classico | barrel select

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