



GRANITE HILL CELLARS

2016 Lodi Petite Sirah



About: Granite Hill Cellars is a newly released brand by the Kautz Family of Lodi, California. The name comes from the rocky and “granite” terroir the family’s vineyards grow on. The soft rolling hills, in conjunction with the Pacific Ocean Delta breezes make these vineyards ideal for grapes of distinction. Practicing “sustainability” for over 30 years, the family is committed to the longevity of their land and the environment around them.

Appellation: Lodi has been a famed region for growing Zinfandel grapes for many years, but it has been the last 10-15 years that they are shining through with other varieties, including Petite Sirah. The sub-AVAs for this wine come from Sloughouse and Alta Mesa, which are located in the northern part of Lodi, just west of the Sierra Foothills.

About the Wine: The 2016 vintage is a deep dark purple color with aromas of cherries and blueberries. The flavor is of plums and a warm berry pie followed by sweet vanilla oak that finishes with some soft and slightly spicy tannins.

Pairing: Delicious with grilled meats, like a beef tenderloin and a lamb roast. Enjoy with a slow cooked braised beef or short ribs, as well as with rack of lamb or pork tenderloin. An array of dark chocolates, especially chocolate molten cake work very nicely.

Technical Notes:

Blend:	90% Petite Sirah, 10% Zinfandel		
Alcohol:	13.5%	Aging:	3 months, new French oak
RS:	1.9 g/l	TA:	6.6 g/l
pH:	3.45	UPC:	7 24826 18251 0