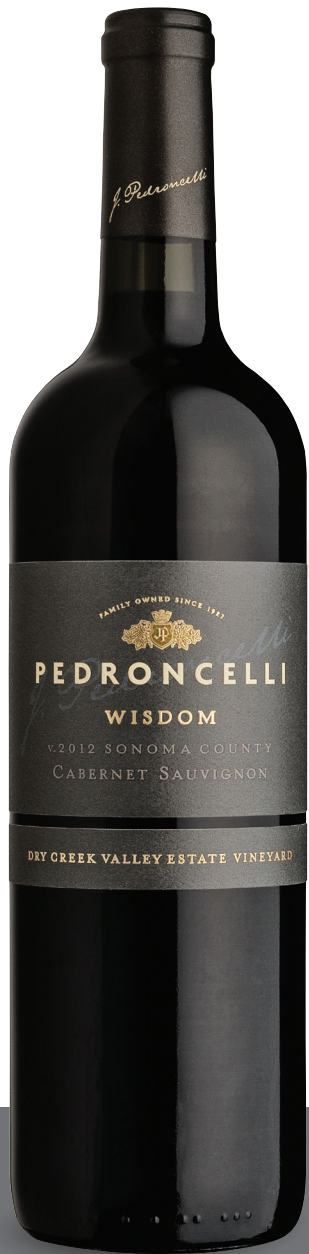


FAMILY OWNED SINCE 1927



# PEDRONCELLI



## WISDOM

Longevity instills it in each generation. Sensing the right varietal and aspect of the vines is borne of a lifetime tilling the soil. Discerning and experienced hands craft the wine from vine to barrel to bottle and when these elements come together it is called Wisdom. A tribute to John Pedroncelli.

## VINEYARD BACKGROUND

Located 2 miles west of the winery, we purchased the property in the 1960s. Comprised of 5 acres on the west slope of the Dry Creek Valley along West Dry Creek Road. Planted to Cabernet Sauvignon since 1965, a recent replanting included the addition of Malbec. Positioned well, it receives the sunlight and degree days needed to fully ripen Cabernet Sauvignon. The rocky loamy soil is a perfect place to put down roots. Just the right amount of fog rolls in each evening during the warm summer months to maintain the right combination to cool the vines and preserve the delicate balance between acid and sugar. 50 years of growing Cabernet on in this soil, in this microclimate brings unparalleled Wisdom.

## THE WINE

2012 was an ideal growing season with mild temperatures and opportune warming trends to ripen grapes to full maturity. Yields and fruit quality were exceptional. Cabernet Sauvignon grapes from this block were harvested the last week of September and the Malbec was as well. After crushing, the grapes are cold soaked for 48 hours, then inoculated with Bordeaux yeast strain and fermented in a small stainless steel tank; pump-over of the fermenting juice over the cap daily, for extraction of color, tannins and flavor. Pressed, stored and then transferred to small French oak barrels for aging. Sixteen months gave the wine a mellow quality and added complexity. An additional 8 months in the bottle before release brought an especially smooth drinkability to the wine.

## TASTING NOTES

A full bodied Cabernet Sauvignon with aromas of black plum, warm spice and currants. The rich flavors of ripe plum, berry and black pepper are woven with mellow tannins and great acidity. With its reserve-style complexity and depth, this is a wine to enjoy now or age 5–8 more years.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### APPELLATION

Dry Creek Valley Estate Vineyard, Sonoma County

### COMPOSITION

90% Cabernet Sauvignon, 10% Malbec

**BARREL AGING** 16 months in French Oak barrels, 30% new

**ALCOHOL** 14.4%

**pH** 3.56

**TOTAL ACIDITY** .670g/100mg

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