



JONATHAN EDWARDS  
WINERY

## 2009 Napa Valley Petite Sirah Dark (Port)



### Vineyard

Stonebridge Ranch Calistoga, California. Since our inception, this is the only vineyard that we have used for our Petite Sirah. 50 year old head pruned vines are dry farmed in the traditional manner. The rich soils of Calistoga provide some of the best growing conditions for this variety in the world.

### Production

The grapes were hand picked and fermented in Napa Valley, California. After a 24 hour cold soak, the yeast was added and fermentation temperatures were maintained around 85 degrees. A pump-over regimen was used to maintain proper oxygen levels in the must and to ensure appropriate color and flavor extraction. Partially fermented wine was drawn out of the tank and fortified with a 2 year barrel aged brandy. The natural grape sugars remain after fermentation is halted due to the increased alcohol level. Malo-lactic fermentation is initiated and the wine was transported to our Connecticut winery for aging. 24 months of barrel aging in a neutral barrels allows for the concentration of the port while maintaining the fruit forward character.

### Tasting Notes

This desert wine has gorgeous color and a sweet finish. Brambly fruit character is present throughout.

### Technical Data

Alcohol		19.9%
pH		3.9
Acidity		5.8 g/L
Brix at harvest		n/a fortified
Harvest Date		10/13/2009
Production		175 cases