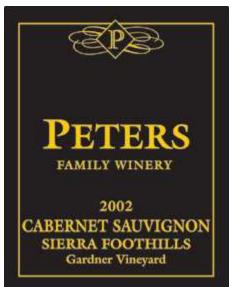


WINE RECOMMENDATION



Peters Family Winery

2002 Cabernet Sauvignon, *Gardner Vineyard* (Sierra Foothills)

Based in Sebastopol, Douglas M. Peters and his family are garnering attention for wines such as their Pinot Noir from the Dunah Vineyard in the Sonoma Coast appellation, their Carneros Chardonnay from the Sangiocomo Vineyard, and new Chardonnay and Pinot Noir releases from the Sonoma Coast's Hyde Vineyard. They also produce a Lodi Syrah, a California appellation Meritage, or Bordeaux blend, and this 100% unfiltered, low-yield mountain grown Cabernet Sauvignon.

Hazy, saturated ruby and viscous, the wine has intriguing notes of vanilla, plum, prune, date, fig, raisin, floral, thai basil, and vine-

ripened tomato. On the palate the wine is big, full, and soft with blueberry and strawberry notes. Alcohol and acid are balanced, and oak is well-integrated. While not terribly varietally expressive, this enjoyable red has a long, flavorful finish. It does taste like a wine of the Foothills, in line with the family's philosophy of letting the wines speak of their origin. This would be delicious with bacon-wrapped tenderloin of beef, lamb stew with rosemary, or whole wheat fusilli pasta with veal ratatouille topped with grated Grana Padana cheese.

Reviewed May 22, 2007 by Catherine Fallis.

THE WINE

Winery: Peters Family Winery Vineyard: Gardner Vineyard Vintage: 2002 Wine: Cabernet Sauvignon Appellation: Sierra Foothills Grape: Cabernet Sauvignon Price: \$34.00

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