



MARIETTA

2014 CHRISTO

ESTATE GROWN RHÔNE-STYLE RED WINE

BLEND

60% Syrah, 22% Petite Sirah, 14% Grenache, 4% Viognier

AGING

18 months in neutral barrels

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME

15.2%

PRODUCTION

7,000 cases

RELEASE DATE

April 2017

SUGGESTED DRINKING WINDOW

Drink now or age up to ten years

This intense, powerful Syrah-based wine is grown mostly on our McDowell Valley property which has a long history of championing Rhone varietals. Co-fermented with Viognier, the Syrah expresses violet, tar, and rich earth. Petite Sirah from Alexander Valley brings chewy bitter chocolate, while Grenache grown at 1400 feet elevation in the Yorkville highlands keeps the wine bright and juicy. Full-bodied and fleshy, this wine is dark and brooding yet silky and smooth.

91 points Wine Advocate

90 points Antonio Galloni

The 2014 Christo, Marietta's Rhône blend, is bold, racy and juicy, all qualities that make it hard to resist. The Christo is the most exuberant and flamboyant of these reds. The blend is mostly Syrah, with some Petite Sirah, Grenache and Viognier. Sage, tobacco, menthol and licorice wrap around the juicy, exuberant finish.

— Antonio Galloni, *Vinous*, March 2017, **Christo**

FAMILY SERIES

Our history of family winemaking goes back four generations in Sonoma County. At current count, there have been seven different winemakers in the family. Each has had their own focus and style. The unifying elements have been family, hard work, passion, and a love of the creative process that is winemaking. Our Family Series consists of a Zinfandel, a Cabernet, and a Rhone-style Syrah Grenache blend. All three are carefully crafted from Estate Grown grapes from our properties in Northern Sonoma County, the McDowell and Hopland Valleys, and the Yorkville Highlands.