

Seven
Artisans
2007
Petite Sirah
Suisun Valley
California
Clayton Road Ranches
Alc. 14.9% by vol.

2007 "Seven Artisans" Petite Sirah

The 2007 **Seven Artisans Petite Sirah** was meticulously crafted by winemaking partner Jeffrey A. Miller and winemaker Chris Markell. Chris is an advisor to wineries and brings over 30 years of winemaking experience to the Sly Dog team. In 2005, Jeff Miller of Napa, California, became a wine grape grower. Along with his wife Beryl, they have a 34-acre vineyard under cultivation in adjacent Suisun Valley. As with many growers before him, it didn't take very long before the desire to taste the pure expression of what he was growing, and how it would perform as a wine under his watchful eye, took over. By 2006, as a budding winemaker, Jeff Miller and his partner Richard Burnley released a **2006 Artisan Meritage** under this label, and now the **2007 Seven Artisans Petite Sirah** is their second release.

Partner Richard Burnley and his wife Louise Spinelli have been in sales and marketing all of their business lives. The wines that Richard has marketed and brought to market from case #1 have combined sales of over one million cases.

Technical Information:

Variety	100% Petite Sirah
AVA	Suisun Valley
Alcohol	14.9%
pH	3.80
T.A.	5.7 g/l
Production	475 cases
Released	May 17, 2009

Winemaker Notes:

The 2007 Petite Sirah is a well structured wine with good acidity, smooth tannins, and it exhibits rich, dark fruit that pairs well with full flavored foods. The Petite Sirah farmed for this vintage comes directly from winemaker Jeff Miller's Clayton Road Ranches in Suisun Valley, just a stone's throw away from the Napa County line. It's a Napa County wine without the Napa Valley pricing. With Jeff growing the grapes himself, he has fashioned in his vineyard exactly what he wanted to have for high quality wine that would go into a bottle. Seven Artisans crafted this world-class wine, from beginning to end.

Food & Wine Pairing:

Pair Grilled Tri Tips with a rub of paprika, cayenne, oregano, thyme, and freshly minced garlic, or Portobello Mushrooms with olive oil, bits of red pepper, garlic, and onion powder, all grilled to perfection.

Suggested Retail: \$17.99