



Fred's (Peterson) Vintaged View & Vineyard Notes

Our *Il Granaio* Sangiovese began with the 2000 vintage when Jamie convinced me that we could create a Sangiovese blend juicy, spicy and exotic enough for the “Super Tuscan” moniker (Sangiovese blended with non-traditional varieties). The wine quickly developed a following, and we’ve produced the *Il Granaio* Sangiovese every vintage since.

Each spring, Jamie and I assess the previous vintage of Sangiovese and begin the process of deciding the blend for that year’s *Il Granaio*. In blending we are guided by two simple rules—capture the essence of the Sangiovese variety from that vintage, and build on its core characters, to assemble the juiciest, most complex wine possible. The blending varietals and percentages will vary for each vintage.

The 2009 *Il Granaio* combines 23% of our Bradford Mountain Vineyard Bordeaux varietals—Cabernet Sauvignon, Petit Verdo, Merlot and Malbec—with the Teldeschi Vineyard Sangiovese to achieve the wine that we were seeking. We are pleased with the result, and think you will be, too.

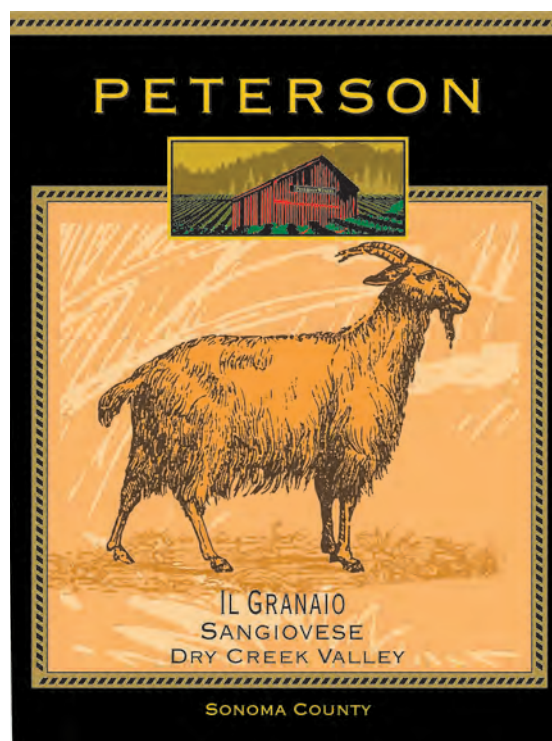
Technical Data:

Composition:

<i>Varietal / Vineyard Breakdown:</i>	<i>Harvest Dates:</i>
77% Sangiovese - Teldeschi Vineyard	September 7
8% Cabernet Sauvignon - Bradford Mtn. Vnyd.	September 21
8% Petit Verdot - Bradford Mtn. Vnyd.	September 29
4% Merlot - Bradford Mtn. Vnyd.	September 12
3% Malbec - Bradford Mtn. Vnyd.	September 10
Appellation:	Dry Creek Valley, Sonoma County
Alcohol:	13.7%
pH:	3.64
TA:	0.676g/100ml
Barrel Aging:	23 months
Type of Oak:	15% new French oak barrels 85% 3-6 year old neutral French & Hungarian oak barrels
Bottling Date:	August 5, 2011 (unfined & unfiltered)
Production:	275 cases (750 ml), 20 cases (1.5L)
Release Date:	January 2012

2009 *IL GRANAIO*

DRY CREEK VALLEY



Tasting Notes

This is a wine you just fall into—head over heels, sort of like love. The journey begins with bright spicy red fruit aromas dusted with baking spices, black pepper and plush oak notes. It continues with a buoyant acidic texture and a rich spicy palate. Yet amid the seductive spiciness, smooth elements are revealed. Vanillin oak notes blend with tart cherry, delicious spices, black pepper and just a hint of blueberry in the long finish.

Grilled duck, your favorite pizza, Chicken Creole or tri-tip will all pair with this beauty, but so will putting your feet up with a good book. Enjoy!