



2017 Rita's Block
Red Wine
Rita's Block
Alegria Vineyards
Russian River Valley
Sonoma County

Rita's Block is an exotic field blend grown at the Alegria Vineyards in the Russian River Valley with 14 different varietals creating this complex wine. This special wine is tended to by friends and family throughout the entire year, leading up to hand harvesting by this group. After an early morning harvest on September 16th, the grapes were quickly destemmed and crushed to preserve their flavors and aromas while still cold from the overnight chill. Cellared 24 months in 30% new American Oak (Minnesota).

Other Facts: Field Blend
Composition: Zinfandel – 61%;
Primitivo – 21%; Alicante Bouschet
– 5%; Petite Syrah – 3%; Trousseau
– 3%; Syrah – 2%; Charbono – 2%,
Mataro – 1%, Tinta Cao – 1%;
Einset – 1%; Negrette – 1%; less
than 1%: Petit Beclan, Cabernet
Sauvignon, Liatiko
Alcohol: 13.2%
pH: 3.58
TA: 6.8
Cases produced: 98
\$65/750mL
\$150/Magnum



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Key Viticultural and Enological Facts

Soil	Haire clay loam
Clone	14 Varietal field bland
Harvest Brix	22.5
Harvest Date	9/16/2017
Yeast type	D21
Fermentation timeline	9/17/2017 – 9/29/2017
Fermentation technique	Open air T-bins
Press details	Basket press (all done by hand)
Bottle date	12/12/2019
Barrel Date	10/2/2017
Barrels	America Oak (Minnesota) 30% new
Release Date	March 2022
pH	3.58
T/A	6.8 g/L
R/S	<0.1%
V/A	0.57 g/L
Alcohol	13.2%
Production	98

Tasting Notes:

Deep garnet with only slight rim browning. Black cherry, tar vanilla. Medium to low acids, medium, well balanced tannins. Toasted smokey oak. Medium balanced finish