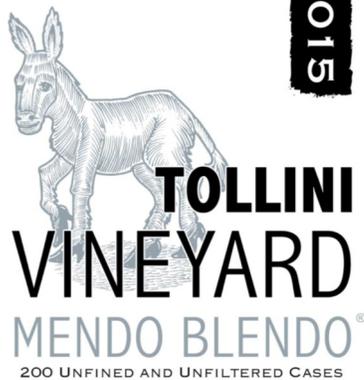


PETERSON



**2015 Peterson
Tollini Vineyard
Mendo Blend
Mendocino
Red Wine**

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| MENDOCINO RED WINE | 44% PETITE SIRAH |
| | 44% SYRAH |
| | 12% CARIGNANE |

2015 Mendo Blendo

Technical Data

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| Composition: | 44% Petite Sirah - September 15th 44% Syrah - September 7th 12% Carignane - September 30th |
| Appellation: | Tollini Vineyard, Redwood Valley, Mendocino |
| Alcohol: | 15.2% |
| pH: | 3.60 |
| TA: | 0.65g/100ml |
| Barrel Aging: | 27 months |
| Cooperage: | 20% new American oak barrels 20% two year old French oak barrels 60% neutral oak barrels |
| Bottling Date: | January 31st, 2018 |
| Closure type: | Screwcap - Ramondin - saranex liner |
| Production: | 200 cases 750ml |
| Release date: | September 2020 |

Fred's (Peterson) Vintaged View

Our Mendo Blendo reflects the two realities inherent in all interesting wines: place and people. The place being Mendocino County and the people (besides Jamie and myself) being Alvin and Sally Tollini, who grew the grapes that produced this wine. Though we would never trade living in and producing wines from Dry Creek Valley, I've always enjoyed Mendocino County and its wines. Mendocino County winegrowing is an important part of my history. I began my winegrowing career in December 1973 as a vineyard worker for Frey Vineyards in Mendocino's Redwood Valley. We began producing our Zero Manipulation wine from the Tollini's Home Ranch "Wild Vines" Carignane in 2000, and have produced it every year since. Alvin Tollini is a third-generation Redwood Valley grower and a wonderful person, as well as an exceptional grape grower. When Alvin offered us some of his Petite Sirah grapes, we were excited to produce a wine with the Tollini Mendocino Petite Sirah at its core. With 44% Petite Sirah along with 44% Syrah, and 12% Carignane—all from Tollini Vineyard—we couldn't legally call the wine a Petite Sirah, but wanted to come up with a fun name to reflect its origins. The name Mendo Blendo is our wink and a nod to Mendocino's other agricultural crop of note.

Tasting Notes

This playful, seemingly simple wine is easy to sip, yet filled with delicious layers, depth and complexity. The nose offers aromas of fresh-squeezed black raspberry laced with toasted oak and traces of leather. A tantalizing, juicy blend of plum, dried strawberry and blackberry mix with subtle autumn spices and black pepper. A bright essence appears mid-palate adding to the playful effect of the wine. Gentle tannins and oak notes exposed in the long finish reveal the underlying structure that perfectly balances the luscious flavors.

Pairing opportunities are endless, so to name a few, try our Mendo Blendo with smoked brisket served with a Kansas City barbeque sauce, three cheese lasagna, or your favorite chili sprinkled with sharp cheddar and chopped scallions.