

# LE P'TIT PAYSAN

## 2018 Cabernet Sauvignon

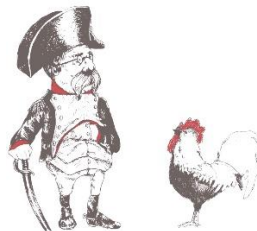
95% Cabernet Sauvignon 5% Petite Verdot  
San Benito County

**Location:** Cab sourced from 2 vyzs: the 60 yr old Brigantino Vineyard originally planted for Almaden and the 45yr old Wheeler Ranch growing in calcareous alluvial deposits over the San Benito Arroyo. Petite Verdot from Paicines AVA, rocky alluvial deposits above the Tres Pinos arroyo. All vineyards experience warm days, cold nights typical of the Central Coast, allowing these late ripening Bordeaux varieties to be picked at high acidity and moderate sugars.

**Winemaking:** Fermented whole berry, (grapes that are de-stemmed), allowing slower extraction, of tannins into the must, within several lots. Pressed after approximately 20 days. Aged for 11 months on lees in mostly neutral barrels with a couple of new barrels sprinkled in.

**Tasting Notes:** Med-full bodied wine and low alcohol, allows nuances of dark black fruit, purple violets, and a slight hint of dried herbs to explode in the nose and on the palate. The combination of well-drained, alluvial soils, old vines, daytime heat, and nighttime cool, creates fruit that is uncommonly structured and ripe, yet fresh and mineral driven.

2400 cases produced



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