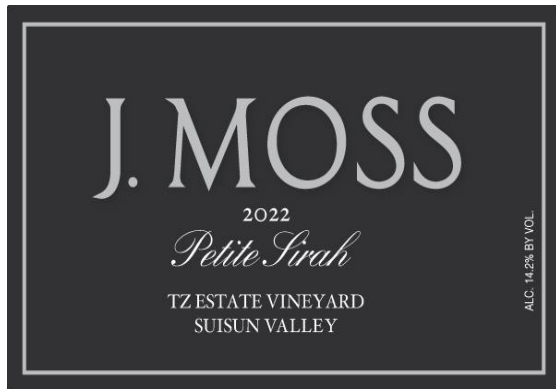


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## 2022 TZ Estate Vineyard Suisun Valley Petite Sirah



### The 2022 Growing Season

The 2022 growing season saw record-breaking weather events, with 80% of the total rainfall arriving before the New Year and was followed by the driest three months on record, leading to an early bud break. Despite the dry spell, healthier canopies resulted from earlier rains. The summer was generally average but slightly warmer than 2021. Harvest started 5 to 7 days earlier than the previous year and was 15% lighter but of exceptional quality. A Labor Day heat wave accelerated harvest, later cooled by a late September rain event. Overall, the 2022 harvest was the most condensed in recent memory.

### Harvest Date:

September 23, 2022

### Vineyard Appellation:

Suisun Valley, CA

### Varietals composition

100% Petite Sirah

Alcohol 14.2%

pH 3.59 TA 6.7 g/l

### Aging

24 months on 100% American Oak  
75% new and 25% once used barrels

### Proprietor / Winemaker

James W. Moss

### Winemaking

The grapes were hand-harvested on September 23 in the early morning when temperatures often dip to 50°F – to capture vibrant acidity and fruit expression in the wine. They were destemmed into small 1 ton open top bins while keeping the grapes cold by cold-soaking them for 3 days for extraction of color and then fermented. During fermentation the grapes were carefully hand-punched down a couple times a day to develop a deep color, rich varietal characteristic and fine tannins. Once fermentation was complete and the wine was dry, the wine was pressed to barrels. Each barrel was hand racked three times and bottled.

### Tasting notes

A classic Petite Sirah with super rich big flavors layered with dark plum, black and blue fruits that jump out of the glass with a silky velvety texture and a pleasingly long balanced finish. Balanced acid and well resolved tannins complete an elegantly layered wine.