



## 2014 La Sirena “Le Barretage” Winemaker Notes/Fact Sheet

Announcing our **2014 “Le Barretage”** Rhone style blend. The name is a fusion of my last name with one of my favorite wine regions, Hermitage in the Northern Rhone. This amazingly rich and silky wine melds old-world character and terroir with new world ripeness and power of fruit. The blend comes from several Syrah sites including our own Barrett Vineyards (a tiny 2 acre block at the foot of Mount St. Helena), some Grenache from a vineyard site in the eastern hills of St Helena, and a dollop of Petite Sirah from a neighboring vineyard in Calistoga. All are exceptional vineyard sites, quite rocky and steep, producing an incredibly layered, textural, and complex wine. After a few extra years of bottle age, this singular wine is finally ready to hit your glass!

### Just the Facts:

Harvest Dates: Sept 2, 10, 12, 22 of 2014  
Blend: 94% Syrah, 3% Grenache, and 3% Petite Sirah  
Some Chemistry: 14.6% alc. T.A. 0.61, pH 3.82  
100% French oak barrels 45% new for 22 months  
Bottling date: June 20, 2016  
Release date: July 10, 2020  
Production: 336 cases

### Tasting Notes: 2014 “Le Barretage” (tasted 6/29/20 by HPB)

Our 2014 Le Barretage is deep dark blackberry in color. Enticing aromas rise from the glass in this appropriately aged offering: plum and cherry-like fruit with nuances of white pepper, green tea, cardamom spice, and sweet toasty French oak. It’s delicious and mouth-coating across the palate, ripe and concentrated, with silky smooth balance and refined pure flavors. The dense texture of the wine enhances the long lingering flavors and mirror the aromas. A blend of two different Syrah blocks, Grenache for liveliness, and a tiny slash of Petite Sirah for added power; it will pair beautifully with a huge array of cuisine. This delicious proprietary “Rhone style” blend from La Sirena was given additional time in bottle before release because honestly, it just keeps getting better!

Why “**La Sirena**”? The name means “the Mermaid” in Spanish and Italian. I chose it because I’m a long time scuba diver and was looking for something fun and magical (like wine) to name the winery. The first vintage of La Sirena was 1994 with the first Cabernet Sauvignon made in 1996. Our current lineup of deliciousness includes; **Cabernet Sauvignon, Le Barretage, Moscato Azul** (dry Muscat Canelli), **Rosato** (dry rose’ from Primitivo), **Grenache, Malbec**, and our two fun and tasty proprietary winemaker red blends; **Art Bus**, and **Pirate TreasuRed**. Production is always small, focusing on fine wines of purity and excellence-the best that can be made. Wishing you all the best!

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Heidi P. Barrett'.

Heidi Peterson Barrett  
Winemaker/Owner, La Sirena