

# Conteur Syrah Napa Valley

#### **About Conteur**

(Kõtoer) A storyteller or poet who narrates a story without support other than his knowledge, imagination and improvisational skills.

Conteur is a "non-vintage" wine produced by Griot cellars. On selected occasions the utilization of Syrah (omitted from the vintage dated wine of Griot) are crafted into a cuvée often referred to by us as the quaffing wine.

## Vineyards

The Syrah grapes were sourced from three different vineyards located in the Calistoga AVA all being planted in clay-based to sandy loam soils which were dry-farmed throughout the growing season.

# Winemaking

The grapes were handpicked, sorted, crushed and pressed. The juice was fermented and then aged from 5-18 months using a combination of 15% new and 85% neutral French oak barrels.

### Characteristics

In the glass, the wines engaging dark hue is apparent and gives way to a deeply scented aromas of ripe black fruit and terroir, while the lingering and balanced flavors coat the palate after each taste. This wine can be paired with a variety of dishes from roasted chicken and beef satay to an assortment of food coming off the grill or a simple selection of aged cheeses.

Wine Facts

Varietal: 100% Syrah • Alcohol: 14.9% • pH: 3.71 • TA: .63 g/100ml • Bottled: 16 April, 2015