



## **2017 La Sirena Studio Series** **Winemaker Notes/Fact Sheet**

Announcing the first release of a brand new La Sirena label – Studio Series. In addition to being a winemaker, I have also been a painter and visual artist for many years. My late mother, Diane Brisbois Peterson, was a professional artist, so I grew up immersed in artistic creativity as well as wine. Throughout my winemaking career, I have sought to explore creative avenues within the scientific discipline of wine, and blending has been one of the most fulfilling ways to do that. Studio Series is a new Cab-forward winemaker blend that will feature a different painting of mine on the label each vintage. I'm proud to offer this new wine that will show off my creative work both inside and outside of the bottle. Welcome to my studio!

### **Just the Facts:**

Harvest Dates: Sept 5, 6, 7, 11, and Oct 3, 2017

Blend: 50% Cabernet Sauvignon, 44% Syrah, 4% Petite Sirah, 2% Cab Franc

Some Chemistry: 14.7% alc., T.A. 6.0, pH 3.75

100% French oak barrels. 35% new, 20 months, variety of coopers and barrel ages

Bottling date: June 24, 2019 Release date: April 23, 2021

Production: 335 cases

Artwork: "White Barn" by Heidi Barrett, 3'x3' acrylic on canvas (giclees available)

### **Tasting Notes: Tasted 4/12/21 by HPB**

*Deeply pigmented in color like blackberry syrup, with gorgeous aromas of ripe fruit - black cherry, currants, and blackberry, with alluring hints of cedar and vanilla. It's a rich, bold wine across the palate with explosive flavor bursts and textural appeal. Moderate tannins and good length enhance this concentrated, dense Cabernet-based blend. Harmonious blending creates a wine greater than the sum of its parts – complexity and elegance abound in this work of winemaking art. Delicious and approachable upon release, we expect it will be an age-worthy addition to your cellar as well.*

Why "La Sirena"? The name means "the Mermaid" in Spanish and Italian. I chose it because I'm a lifelong ocean lover, longtime scuba diver, and wanted a winery name that was fun & magical (like wine) and also personal to me. The first vintage of La Sirena was 1994, with the first Cabernet Sauvignon made in 1996. Our current wine lineup: **Cabernet Sauvignon**, **Le Barretage** (Rhône style blend), **Moscato Azul** (dry Muscat Canelli), **Rosato** (rosé of Primitivo), **Malbec**, and several red blends, **Studio Series**, **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