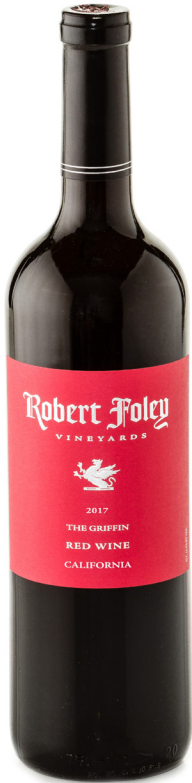


# Robert Foley

## VINEYARDS

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### 2017 THE GRIFFIN

Like its namesake, this Griffin is a powerful combination of strengths. The blended characters of Petite Sirah, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Charbono and Syrah deliver rich raspberry flavors balanced with fresh acidity. Having just enough grip in the finish makes this a very approachable, versatile, food-friendly red wine.

This year's bottling offers a well-balanced blend of classic claret varieties (Merlot and Petit Verdot) and my favorite Rhone-rooted varieties of Syrah, Petite Sirah, and Charbono.

The 2017 vintage blend is 30% Petite Sirah, 26% Merlot, 21% Petit Verdot, 14% Charbono, and 9% Syrah.

*The Griffin – on the Foley family crest in Irish heraldry combines the strengths of the lion, king of beasts, with the eagle, king of the skies. A winemaker's dream is to be artistically free to combine characters into wine that is purely hedonic and non-compliant with varietal regulations, so The Griffin's blend changes with every vintage.*

### SPECIFICATIONS

Wine: 2017 The Griffin

Appellation: California

Vineyard: Multiple locations – Valley Floor and Mountain AVAs

Varieties: Petite Sirah, Merlot, Petit Verdot, Syrah, Charbono

Harvest: Hand-picked September/October 2017

Vinification: Ten-day fermentation, French Oak barrels

Alcohol: 15.5%

Bottled: May 2019

Production: 2,650 cases

Winemaker: Bob Foley

Retail price: \$42