

# Pahlmeyer

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## **1999 Pahlmeyer Proprietary Red**

**Release Date:** October 1, 2002

**Winemaker:** Erin Green

### **Varietal Composition:**

Cabernet Sauvignon 69%, Merlot 27%, Cabernet Franc 2%, Petit Verdot 1%, Malbec 1%

### **Technical Notes:**

**Alcohol:** 14.0 %

**PH:** 3.97

**Total Acidity:** .051

**Retail Price (750mL Bottle):** \$ 90

**Retail Price (1.5mL):** \$ 225

**Vineyards:** The five grape varieties comprising this vintage came from Thorevilos vineyard on Howell Mountain, Rancho Chimiles in Wooden Valley, Martinelli in Russian River Valley and Moon in the Carneros. We work closely with each of these growers to ensure that the fruit developed its full flavor potential.

### **Tasting Notes:**

Striking opaque purple color, and a stunning nose of cherry liqueur intertwined with prunes, black currants, coffee, smoke, and blackberries.

### **Winemaking Notes:**

Harvested at the end of October, this wine was aged in 100% new French oak barrels for 18 months.

### **Availability:**

Pahlmeyer 1999 Red Wine is available nationally and internationally through fine restaurants and retail shops. The wine is sold out at the winery.

### **Ratings:**

International Wine Cellar Stephen Tanzer

"Bright, full medium ruby. Subdued but highly complex nose melds black raspberry, blueberry, plum, licorice, mocha, leather and tar. Offers compelling sweetness and density, with sharply focused flavors of black fruits, minerals and roast coffee, but comes across as less expressive today than the merlot, and still tight on the back half. But a wine of outstanding breadth and persistence, deeper and sweeter than the 2000. Tannins are substantial but quite fine." 94. (May/June 2002)

The Wine Advocate Robert M. Parker, Jr "A dense purple color accompanies its sweet nose of crème de cassis intermixed with smoky, toasty oak, tar and earth. While it leans toward a more austere, Bordeaux-like style, it possesses more glycerin, alcohol and depth than most ripe Bordeaux. The finish exhibits chocolate and black currant flavors, plenty of sweetness, and austere tannin. Drink it over the next 14-15 years." 90 points. (August 31, 2002, Issue 142)