



SILKWOOD

WINES

# Silkwood Wines 2004 Petite Sirah

The Award-Winning Wine:  
Silkwood 2004 Petite Sirah

Reason for Reviewing:  
Silkwood 2004 Petite Sirah earned a top-honor Gold Medal at the 2007 Central Coast Wine Competition.

Noteworthy:  
Silkwood was founded in 1979 by John R. Monnich, a UC Davis General Agriculture graduate, and was originally located in Napa Valley. During harvest, they thin and drop (literally to the ground) about 20-25 percent of clusters at veraison (fruit softening). According to their web site, this practice helps to produce a rich and intensely flavored wine. All Silkwood Wines bottles feature a unique red velvet label (printed in gold ink) that represents the smooth and rich profile of the wines. The velvet label and the textured label is now a registered trademark of Silkwood.

Winery Notes:  
A big, black, bold, and beautiful wine with sophisticated finesse finish. Great balance. Young but complex wine. Several levels of mature fruit and oak flavors.

AlaWine Notes:  
Silkwood 2004 Petite Sirah pours as a deep garnet ruby in the glass. Rich aromas of ripe dark berries radiate to the nose in a dusty earth context. Fruity brambleberry, plum and raspberry flavors fill the mouth through a long moderately tannic finish.

Bottom Line:  
Silkwood 2004 Petite Sirah is a big, rich fruit filled red wine capable of pairing well with big red meats and other hardy fare. Very drinkable now with likely good agability. Suggested retail price is \$39.

Overall composite score: **94 points**

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