

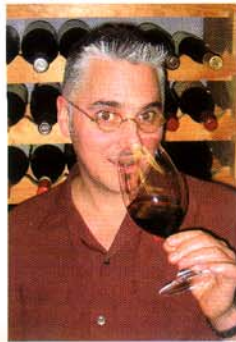
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Take petite.

Once a staple of the jug wine enterprise that fueled the growth of the California wine industry, petite was grown to be simple, grapey and quaffable. Petite's popularity declined as grapes like cabernet, merlot and chardonnay ascended, but the vines stayed in the ground, where they got much older and much better.



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