



Background

Established in 1996, Raphael was born from the vision of owner John Petrocelli, who named the winery in honor of his father and continues a centuries-old family tradition of wine making. The winery is located on the North Fork of Long Island, where the gentle maritime influence of the surrounding water provides a moderate climate, allowing grapes to fully ripen with perfect balance, aroma and flavor. The Petrocelli Family strives to produce Long Island's finest wines by combining New World advances with Old World tradition. The winery is dedicated to the production of the region's finest wines. Using sustainable vineyard practices and hand harvesting, Raphael produces artisan wines that reflect a pure expression of the unique climate and soil of the North Fork.

Facts

Established	1996
Owners	John and Joan Petrocelli
Winemaker	Richard Olsen-Harbich
Vineyard Manager	Steve Mudd
Acres	55
Produced Cases	5,000
Varietals	Merlot, Sauvignon Blanc, Cabernet Franc, Malbec, Petit Verdot, Chardonnay
Awards/Ratings	Merlot 1997, 89 points, <i>Wine Enthusiast</i> 2001 Cabernet Sauvignon, 89 points, <i>Wine Spectator</i> 2004 Malbec, 88 points, <i>Wine Spectator</i> 2001 Merlot, 87 points, <i>Wine Spectator</i> Best Beverage Artisan 2007 – Edible East End

The Wines

Please contact the winery for current vintages

First Label Merlot
La Fontana
Estate Merlot

Cabernet Franc
Sauvignon Blanc
Chardonnay

Rose of Merlot
Bel Rosso

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