



THE VINEYARDS:

Our Zinfandel is grown in the heart of the Russian River Valley, an area known for producing outstanding Pinot Noir, Zinfandel, and Chardonnay. Coastal fog blankets our fruit almost every morning and evening which allows our Zinfandel to develop its deep character. A large portion (73%) of this Zin is made from our Gambogi vineyards, planted as early as 1909.

2016 GROWING SEASON:

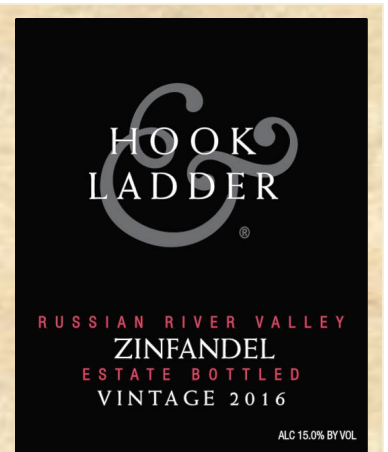
Despite going into the 5th year of drought, 2016 was another fantastic growing year in the Russian River Valley. Yields were larger than that of 2015 while a slightly cooler August allowed the clusters to mature more slowly and evenly than that vintage, providing great flavor and color development.

THE WINEMAKING:

We fermented our Zinfandel in open-top tanks and “punched-down” the skins to extract and express the rich colors and qualities this fruit has to offer. After being pressed, the wine was aged in American Oak barrels for approximately 17 months.

THE WINE:

Dark violet-ruby in color, this Zinfandel displays fragrant aromas of raspberry, plum and clove. The bouquet is complemented by a spicy, lush palate with immediate flavors of anise, sweet sunbaked blackberries finishing with notes of mocha and cinnamon.



2016 ZINFANDEL
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

HARVESTED
September 28-
October 6th, 2016

ALCOHOL
15.0%

TA
.65

pH
3.6

CASES PRODUCED 475

AGING
17 months in 100%
American Oak

20% New Oak

ESTATE
BOTTLED
April 11, 2018

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