



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 portion (45%) of this Zin is made from our Gambogi vineyards, planted as early as 1909.

2017 GROWING SEASON:

Coming off one of the wettest winters on record, the 2017 growing season soon normalized with bud break occurring later than that of the drought years. Throughout summer we saw numerous heat waves that sped the maturation of the vines while a cooler August allowed this zinfandel to ripen more slowly and evenly leading up to the pick.

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 16 months.

THE WINE:

Our Estate Zinfandel displays fragrant aromas of mentholated blackberry and sandalwood, while fully developed flavors of black currant, dusty cocoa, cinnamon arise from this wines succulent palate.

2017 ZINFANDEL
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

HARVESTED
September 25-
October
17th, 2017

ALCOHOL
15.0%

TA
.61

pH
3.66
CASES PRODUCED
1,145

AGING
16 months in 100%
American Oak

25% New Oak

*ESTATE
BOTTLED*
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