

2015 SONOMA COUNTY ZINFANDEL

This enticing Sonoma County wine highlights a bright red-fruit and spice expression of Zinfandel. The majority of the fruit came from elite vineyards in the Dry Creek Valley, an area universally recognized for producing exceptional high-end Zinfandel.

2015 Harvest Notes

In Sonoma County, a warm, dry spring resulted in any early budbreak, while an extended flowering period brought a return to normal yields after three years of abundant crops. With berry weights down, the grapes offered great concentration, while retaining excellent acidity. We had one of our earliest harvests in the past decade, but a light rain in mid-September nourished the vines and provided welcome additional hangtime. Overall, the quality of the fruit was exceptional, with our white wines showing both richness and complexity, and our red grapes displaying a fine balance between elegance and intensity, with gorgeous dark fruit flavors

Comments from the Winemaker

This wine displays lush layers of wild blueberry, blackberry and cranberry, along with a hint of enticing spice and toasty oak. On the palate, the structure is elegant and inviting, with plush tannins and well-balanced acidity underscoring the vibrant fruit.

Varietal Content

90% Zinfandel, 8% Petite Sirah, 1% Cabernet Sauvignon, 1% Petit Verdot

Harvest Information

Harvest Dates: August 23 - September 18, 2015 Average Sugar at Harvest: 26.8° Brix 9 Vineyards Harvested

Winemaking

10 months, 100% French Oak

Production and Technical Data

Alcohol: 13.9% 0.66 g/100 ml titratable acidity 10-22 days fermentation at 80°F pH: 3.50

