



2020

Russian River Zinfandel

Sonoma County's Russian River Appellation, while known predominantly for Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, is also home to some of the oldest Zinfandel vines in the state. Originally planted by Italian immigrants as far back as the late 1800's, Zinfandel is, without a doubt, the wine that the Russian River Valley's reputation was built upon. Sourced from vineyards planted over a century ago, this wine hearkens back, in many ways, to a different time. While seamless and with unparalleled clarity of flavor and aromas, there is also an undeniable gravity and timelessness that Russian River Zinfandel seems to exude. It may be nothing more than a romantic appreciation for the hands that have tended these vines for over a century. It's possible that it is a result of the other varieties, now all but extinct, save for a few old Zinfandel vineyards like Peloursin, Negrette, and Petite Sirah, that add more structure, color, and acid than normally found in Zinfandel. Maybe the rocks, the dirt, the morning fog and the afternoon sun come together in these old vineyards a little differently than anywhere else. It may even be all of these special characteristics combined, but the Zinfandel grown in these century old vineyards is undeniably special, totally unique, and completely distinct. - J.B.

VINEYARD:

Appellation:

Russian River Valley

Varietals:

Old Vine, Field Blended Zinfandel

Vineyards:

Limerick Lane Estate, Katz, Banfield

TASTING NOTES:

Aromas:

Blackberry, Dark Cherry, Lead Pencil, Underbrush

Flavors:

Cherry, Strawberry, Wet Stone

Mouthfeel:

Broad, Chewy, Fresh, Lingering

WINEMAKING:

Harvested:

Handpicked Sept 3 - 16, 2020

Crushed:

100% Destemmed

Aged:

18 Months in 5% New French Oak Barrels

Bottled:

August 23, 2021

Alcohol: 14.9%

Harvest Brix: 24.0 - 27.0

Harvest pH: 3.3 - 3.6

Cases Produced: 1354

MSRP: \$42

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