

Rock Wall

WINE COMPANY

2015 ZINFANDEL JESSE'S VINEYARD

VINEYARD NOTES

Most of our Zinfandels are vineyard designates, and in Jesse's case, it is not only a vineyard designate, it is an homage. Jesse was the 97-year-old farmer who farmed the 130-year-old Zinfandel vines out in Oakley, in Contra Costa County. Jesse passed away, but when I used to see Jesse, he would tell me, "Don't put my name on the bottle unless it's the good stuff." So, we followed orders.

PRODUCTION

Over three days, we picked 14 tons of this beautiful Ancient Vine Zin. We crushed into three different tanks with 20 tons each. After a five-day cold soak to extract all those beautiful flavors, we inoculated each tank with a different yeast strain. One got D80, one got RP15, and one got BM4x4. After they were all done fermenting, we pressed them together and added malolactic to give a luscious, rich mouthfeel.

WINEMAKER COMMENTS

Dusty cocoa, black tea, blackberry, and milk chocolate jump from the glass followed by flavors of ripe cherry pie, pipe tobacco, and a toasted marshmallow finish.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

APPELLATION

Contra Costa County

COMPOSITION

94% Zinfandel

4% Carignane

2% Alicante Bouschet

ALCOHOL

15.59%

RESIDUAL SUGAR:

0G/100ML

PH

3.49

TOTAL ACIDITY

0.56G / 100ML

BARRELS

70% neutral oak

15% new French oak


15% new American oak

RELEASE DATE

DECEMBER 2018

SUGGESTED RETAIL

\$30



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