



## FAMILY OF WINES

Mendocino Wine Growers  
Since 1918

### 2019 ZINFANDEL

MENDOCINO COUNTY

#### Background

It makes perfect sense that some of California's most distinctive Zinfandels come from Redwood Valley in southern Mendocino County. This is one of the state's most distinctive viticultural enclaves, with a combination of climate and soils - particularly its deposits of the rare, rust-colored Redvine soil - that rightly may be called unique.

#### Vineyards

Our Zinfandel comes from 2 different old vine Zinfandel vineyards scattered throughout the benchlands and hillsides of Mendocino County. The old vine vineyards Tournour and Foster grace the current vintage of this fine wine. These vineyards have great sun exposure and soil conditions which show in the fruit, which always produces excellent wine.

#### Winemaking

After a long, slow fermentation, the wine was aged for 48 months in 10% new French Burgundy, American, and Eastern European oak, softening the tannins and adding length and depth to the blackberry-jam aromas and ripe, earthy, spicy flavors with nuances of tar and toasty French oak.

#### Winemaker Comments

This vintage displays a rich dark purple garnet color and deep aromas of black cherry, boysenberry, plum, spicy sandalwood with hints of toasty oak. Uplifting flavors of plum, black cherry cola and a subtle of earthiness combine to give this full-bodied Zinfandel a generous mouth-feel. Rich full tannins and balanced acidity lead into a long, lingering finish.

#### Winemaking Data

##### Harvest

Date: September 28<sup>th</sup> - October 15<sup>th</sup>

##### Fermentation & Aging

Fermentation: 3 days of cold soak, pumped over and punched down twice a day for an average of 14 days in stainless open top fermentors  
Aging: 48 months in French, American, and Eastern European Burgundy barrels (10% new French)

##### Wine

Blend: 100% Zinfandel  
Alcohol: 15.5%  
Total Acidity: 7.3 g/L  
pH: 3.44  
Residual Sugar: 0.1% (dry)

#### Food Pairing:

Enjoy with garlic and rosemary seasoned lamb chops, Italian sausage or spicy tomato pasta dishes.



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