



PAPAPIETRO PERRY

2011

Dry Creek Valley

Z I N F A N D E L

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The fruit for this release comes from two well-established vineyards right near our winery. Pauline's Vineyard is right across the street and Timbercrest Farms is right outside our winery door. They both represent the heart of Dry Creek Valley and have done so for many, many years.

The Pauline's Vineyard is an extension of the relationship we have with Randy Peters of the Peters Vineyard. Owned by Randy's Dad and named for his mother, Randy manages this vineyard with the same love and skill as he does the Peters Vineyard. Timbercrest Farms is owned by the Waltenspiels, the former producers of Timbercrest Farms dried fruit and is also managed by Randy Peters.

We use many of the same techniques with our Zinfandel as with our Pinot Noir. We cold-soak the grapes for three days and once the fermentation begins we hand punch the grapes in open-top fermenters, a method not commonly used with Zinfandel. The wine is then aged for 15 months in Francois Frères oak barrels. We always keep the grapes separate throughout the process so we can make blending decisions after the grapes have evolved independently. Because we make our Zinfandel using the same techniques as our Pinot Noir, our Zin really appeals to the Pinot lover.

We hope you enjoy the fruits of our labor!

Salute!

A surprisingly complex Zinfandel. This vintage benefited from the cool, slow growing season. Deep garnet in color with an intense blueberry nose. Flavors of complex blueberry, strawberry with raspberry notes. Well-structured mouthfeel and a broad, expansive mouthwatering acid and fine tannins on the finish. This impressive, drinkable wine is one of our most impressive Zin-

WINE PROFILE

Varietal:	100% Zinfandel
Appellation:	Dry Creek Valley
Harvest Dates:	September 22, 2011
Brix at Harvest:	25.2°
Alcohol:	15.3%
T.A.:	0.782g/100 ml
pH:	3.2
Residual Sugar:	Dry
Cooperage:	14 Months in Francois Frères French oak, 10% new, 90 % 1-2 year old
Bottled:	November 28, 2012
Production:	530 cases

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