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Russian River Valley – Zinfandel
Healdsburg, California

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POINTS

“Brambly and well-built, with black cherry and briar aromas and piquant red plum, grilled anise and white pepper flavors.”

WINE SPECTATOR February 2018

2015

VARIETAL

90% Zinfandel
10% Petite Sirah

COOPERAGE

17 months French oak

ALCOHOL

14.9%

PRODUCTION

1,539 Cases

SRP

\$30

UPC

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Notes

Winemaker Notes

The 2015 Russian River Valley Zinfandel is a blend of old vine Zinfandel and touch of Petite Sirah from the orange, iron-rich soil of Ponzo Vineyard. The Zinfandel on its own is fruity and jammy and Petite Sirah brings in complementary dark fruit flavors and density, resulting in a blend that is full-bodied and well-structured.

Aromas are layered and fresh with ripe strawberries, raspberries and a subtle hint of leather. Secondary aromas consist of vanilla, spice and cinnamon stick. The spice carries through to the palate and is prominent. A soft and fruit forward entry displays flavors of dried raspberries and fresh red cherries. The next layer showcases a substantial amount of vanilla extract, caramel and butterscotch. A bright acidity alongside soft tannins keep the overall impact of the finish rounded and nicely balanced.