

## 2022

VARIETAL 85% Zinfandel 15% Petite Sirah

COOPERAGE
9 months, 15% New French,
Hungarian and American Oak

ALCOHOL 14.9%

PRODUCTION 2,025 Cases

SRP \$29

**-**\$49

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### **GEHRICKE**

Russian River Valley - Zinfandel Windsor, California

#### **Tasting Notes**

With a deep purple hue, sweet aromas leap from the glass with strawberry jam, jelly doughnuts, and confectioners' sugar underscored by notes of allspice. Fruit-forward and mouthwatering, the palate boasts juicy flavors of ripe blackberry and raspberry with a touch of white pepper. The finish is round and lasting.

### **Vintage Notes**

With abundant early season rain followed by excellent spring and summer weather, the beginning of the 2022 growing season was near ideal. An intense heat wave followed by cool rains in September quickened the pace of ripening but allowed the fruit to reach its fullest potential before being carefully pulled off the vine. The early harvest produced grapes with complex, concentrated, fruit-forward flavors and balanced acidity.

# **Food Pairings**

Enjoy this juicy red wine with a variety of hard and richly flavored cheeses, minestrone soup, empanadas, chorizo shrimp stacks, herb crusted lamb or sous vide ribeye steak with roasted sweet potatoes.

Growing up in Sonoma, we spent a lot of time exploring the local countryside: finding our way through neighboring vineyards owned by old friends and family. I remember the excitement of discovery and freedom while thoroughly studying our small town and its outskirts. I remember old dusty roads that led to forgotten vineyards and properties... Gehricke is a tribute to one such road.

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