



2018 ZINFANDEL

OUR STORY

FOUNDED IN 2010, AVIARY VINEYARDS LAUNCHED WITH THE 2009 VINTAGE OF OUR NAPA VALLEY RED BLEND. THAT FIRST VINTAGE TOOK ADVANTAGE OF SMALL LOTS FROM 13 DIFFERENT VINEYARDS THROUGHOUT THE NAPA VALLEY. LIKE AN AVIARY, THE BLEND OF DIFFERENT GRAPES CREATED SOMETHING MORE UNIQUE THAN EACH COMPONENT. WE STRIVE TO CRAFT WINES THAT ARE CAPTIVATING AND ENJOYABLE. WE WANT TO EXPRESS THE BIG, BOLD FLAVORS UNIQUELY CALIFORNIA BUT PRESENTED IN A BALANCED AND ELEGANT STYLE WITH A SMOOTH FINISH. WE ARE A TEAM, A FAMILY, A COMMUNITY; LIKE AN AVIARY, THE WHOLE IS GREATER THAN THE SUM OF ITS PARTS.

WINEMAKING NOTES

WE MAKE BALANCED AND EXPRESSIVE ZINFANDEL, WITH LOWER ALCOHOL %AND FRUIT-FORWARDNESS, SO THAT BOTH VARIETAL CHARACTER AND PLACE CAN BE TASTED. THE 2018 DELIVERS CLASSIC FLAVORS OF BLACKBERRY JAM, RASPBERRIES, PLUMS, CHOCOLATE-COVERED CHERRIES, AND BLACK PEPPER SPICE, BUT WITH LAYERS OF OTHER NUANCED FLAVORS. WE ARE CONSISTENTLY ONE OF THE EARLIEST TO HARVEST OUR GRAPES, ALLOWING THEM TO REACH RIPENESS BEFORE SUGARS SHOOT THROUGH THE ROOF. THIS ALLOWS YOU TO TASTE SUBTLE HINTS OF TOBACCO LEAF, NUTMEG, AND POMEGRANATE. A REGIMENT OF 20% NEW FRENCH OAK FOR 12 MONTHS GIVES A KISS OF TOAST AND A SOFT TEXTURE THAT IS THE PERFECT BACKGROUND TO HIGHLIGHT THE BEAUTY OF AVIARY ZINFANDEL.

TECHNICAL NOTES

PH: 3.8 G/L
TA: .49 G/100ML
ALCOHOL: 13.9%
BARREL: AGED 21 MONTHS IN 20% NEW FRENCH OAK

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