



2017

Lily Hill Estate

zinfandel

winemaker notes

VARIETY: 89% zinfandel, 8% syrah, 3% grenache
APPELLATION: Dry Creek Valley
DEGREES BRIX AT HARVEST: 24.9-27.0
P.H: 3.71
ALCOHOL: 15.1%
CELLAR RECOMMENDATION: Enjoy this wine through 2027

VINIFICATION NOTES: We have 8 different blocks of zinfandel on Lily Hill, each of which is picked individually according to ripeness, with harvest dates ranging from September 6th to September 30th. After a year of plentiful rain that enriched the soils, ideal weather allowed for perfect ripening. The fruit was sorted, destemmed and given 21 days of skin contact, with two pumpovers a day until it was pressed at dryness. The wine was barrelled-down into a combination of French and Hungarian oak, 20% new, for 16 months in our wine caves.

VINEYARD NOTES: Lily Hill Vineyard has become synonymous with zinfandels of elegance and substance. From the first plantings in 1915 to the blocks planted in 2001, this majestic hillside vineyard benefits from cooler nights and warmer days.

SENSORY NOTES: A pure expression of beauty in a classic Dry Creek Valley zinfandel style, this wine begins with pretty aromatics of red raspberry and floral notes, leading to black cherry and black licorice. Silky in texture, bright acidity makes for a mouthwatering finish.

VINEYARD DETAILS:

CLONE: Various, Dupratt, Florence, Oakley	SOIL TYPE: Clay, heavy loam	ELEVATION: 220-660 feet
VINE SPACING: 8x8	YIELD PER ACRE: 2.5-3 tons	ROOTSTOCK: St. George, 110 R
YEAR PLANTED: 1915-2001	TRELLISING STYLE: VSP and head-trained	IRRIGATION: Minimal drip
CASES PRODUCED: 633		

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