

2019

Lily Hill Estate

zinfandel

winemaker notes

VARIETY: 90% zinfandel, 6% syrah, 4% petite sirah
APPELLATION: Dry Creek Valley
DEGREES BRIX AT HARVEST: 26.4-27.1
P.H: 3.45-3.95
ALCOHOL: 14.9%
CELLAR RECOMMENDATION: Enjoy this wine from 2023-2030

VINIFICATION NOTES: Each block of zinfandel, syrah and petite sirah on Lily Hill are picked individually according to ripeness, with harvest dates ranging from September 9th to October 21st. 2019 saw a delayed budbreak due to record breaking rainfall and moderate summer temperatures, without extreme heat fluxuations. Lily Hill Estate vineyard was fully picked prior to the onset of the 2019 October fires in the area. The fruit was sorted, destemmed and given 26 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, 22% new, for 18 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 youthful aromatics of dark red fruits with a touch of spice that will get more pronounced with age. Palate shows characteristics of cedar, cloves, juniper, and cassis with notable tannins that match the expressive aromatics.

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: 876		

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