

## winemaker notes

VARIETY: 96% zinfandel 4% syrah

APPELLATION: Sonoma County (Dry Creek Valley, Rockpile and Russian River Valley)

DEGREES BRIX AT HARVEST: 25.4 to 28.6

pH: 3.89
ALCOHOL: 15.1%

CELLAR RECOMMENDATION: Enjoy this wine through 2032

VINIFICATION NOTES: After an ideal growing season that yielded outstanding fruit with great color and flavor, the grapes were harvested by hand between September 7th and September 19th, carefully sorted and destemmed. The wines received two pump-overs daily during fermentation and were left on skins for 30 days. After fermentation, the wine was barreled-down into a combination of 67% French, 25% Hungarian and 8% American oak barrels for 15 months, with 33% oak being new.

VINEYARD NOTES: The 2016 Barrel 32 represents a blend of our very finest barrels of wine from the vintage. In 2017, the barrels chosen include wine from the renowned Maple Vineyards, our own Lily Hill Estate, Big River Ranch, Zichichi, Rocky Ridge and Jack's Bench Vineyards.

SENSORY NOTES: An epically delectable wine that shows no restraint when it comes to rich aromas and texture. A complex concection of juicy black and blue fruits, deciduous forest floor and cacao. On the palate, layers of cola and sasparilla support its rich fruit profile, while firm tannins suggest a structure capable of aging for some time to come.

## VINEYARD DETAILS:

CLONE: Various SOIL TYPE: Clay loom and rocky volcanic ELEVATION: 200 - 1250 feet
VINE SPACING: 8x8 and 6x8 YIELD PER ACRE: 2 - 3 tons ROOTSTOCK: St. George
YEAR PLANTED: 1905 - 2000 TRELLISING STYLE: VSP and head-trained IRRIGATION: Drip

CASES PRODUCED: 300 cases

