



2015

Maple Vineyards, Annie's Block

zinfandel

winemaker notes

VARIETY: 98% zinfandel, 2% syrah
APPELLATION: Dry Creek Valley
DEGREES BRIX AT HARVEST: 25.7
P.H: 3.88
ALCOHOL: 14.6%
CELLAR RECOMMENDATION: Enjoy this wine through 2024

VINIFICATION NOTES: Annie's Block was hand-picked on September 5th, sorted, destemmed and put into a closed-top tank. The fruit stayed on the skins for 25 days, with a 10 day fermentation. Pumpovers were performed twice-daily. The wine was aged in primarily French oak, 20% new, for 14 months.

VINEYARD NOTES: The Maple's iconic vineyard sits on a benchland in the heart of Dry Creek Valley. The Maple's spend time throughout the summer walking the vineyards, checking on foliage and ensuring that each cluster gets just the right amount of sun exposure. The Annie's Block red clay loam soil contributes to this wine's elegant structure and balance, while the warm days provide robust, dark fruit notes.

SENSORY NOTES: The 2015 Annie's Block has lush, briar blackberry and forest floor on the palate with mouth-filling tannins and a rich, yet soft texture. Blending in 2% of syrah adds subtle complexity, adding wonderful dark notes of blueberry, tobacco and crisp bacon.

VINEYARD DETAILS:

CLONE: Heritage	SOIL TYPE: Sandy loam	ELEVATION: 250 feet
VINE SPACING: 8x8	YIELD PER ACRE: 2-3 tons	ROOTSTOCK: St. George
YEAR PLANTED: 1970	TRELLISING STYLE: Head trained	IRRIGATION: Dry farmed

CASES PRODUCED: Strictly limited production

RETAIL PRICE: \$55

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