

## 2019 Late Harvest zinfandel

VARIETY: 93% zinfandel, 7% petite sirah

**APPELLATION:** Sonoma County

**DEGREES BRIX AT HARVEST: 36** 

**RESIDUAL SUGAR**: 8 grams per liter

**ALCOHOL**: 14.9%

**CELLAR RECOMMENDATION:** Drink until 2026

**VINIFICATION NOTES:** Well-ripened zinfandel fruit was picked at high, late harvest sugar levels from our Big River Ranch and Lily Hill vineyards on October 10th. After 17 days, the fermentation stopped short of dryness, allowing some of the natural sugar to remain in the wine. The Late Harvest was aged and blended in stainless steel tanks to preserve its subtle fruit characteristics.

**SENSORY NOTES:** The 2019 Late Harvest zinfandel is a beautiful blend of fruit and spice. On the nose, savory herbs interlace with blackberry cordial. Anise seed and dark fruit lead into a lingering, full mouthfeel.

**VINEYARD NOTES:** Our Big River Ranch is a picturesque benchland located on the southern edge of the Alexander Valley. Early morning fog from the bordering Russian River allows for a longer growing season for these coveted wines. The Lily Hill Vineyard is located on a steep hillside in the northern part of Dry Creek Valley, with cool nights and warm days.

## **VINEYARD DETAILS:**

**CLONE**: Various

**YEAR PLANTED**: 1999-2001

SOIL TYPE: Hillside clay, loam

YIELD PER ACRE: 2-3 tons

TRELLISING STYLE: Cordon

ELEVATION: 300-600 feet

**ROOTSTOCK**: St. George

**IRRIGATION**: Minimal drip

VINE SPACING: 6x8