



2015 ZINFANDEL, EL DORADO

TECHNICAL INFO

Vintage: 2015

Varietal: 100% Zinfandel

Appellation: El Dorado

Bottling Date: 7/5/16

Alcohol: 15.6%

TASTING NOTES

This glass staining and inky red wine is loaded with rugged personality. The rustic nose is full of freshly cut cigar, worn leather, and shrub spices. The mouthcoating palate explodes with flavors of dried currant, plum, and sour cherry.

WINEMAKING NOTES

This Zinfandel was cold soaked for five days, then went through primary fermentation with two daily pump overs to dryness. Only the free run juice was extracted and barreled down to once-used American oak from our Chardonnay program. The wine was aged in barrel for 12 months with no racking to maintain bright fruit and to preserve the soft and supple tannins.

VINEYARD NOTES

This vineyard is owned by Dr. Rich Biana and is nestled in the El Dorado Hills near the town of Camino. This hillside vineyard faces west, receives great afternoon sun, and is beautifully surrounded by large firs and pine trees. The slope is significant, providing optimal drainage and increased stress on the vines, increasing quality and complexity. Dr. Biana farms this vineyard meticulously and does much of the vineyard work personally, making sure every harvest is perfect!

91 POINTS WINE ENTHUSIAST

"This is a big wine, full of smoky dark-fruit flavors and supported by firm tannins and a framework of spicy oak. It's nicely dry, has a gripping texture, very full body and complex flavor elements like black pepper, blackberries, beef jus and molasses. Best after 2021." – 7/2018

SUGGESTED RETAIL PRICE: \$30

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