



CHALK HILL

RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

2021 ZINFANDEL

This Russian River Valley Zinfandel, made exclusively for our wine club and tasting room. The grapes come from our Trenton Road vineyard, in the heart of the Russian River Valley. Primarily planted with Pinot Noir, there is one small block on a west-facing hillside that is tailor-made for Zinfandel, the Lions Ridge West Block.

The 2021 vintage was warmer than average with little rainfall leading to a relatively early bud-break. Warm temperatures continued into summer setting the stage for full ripening, fresh acidity and beautifully balanced fruit. True to the varietal, this wine is chock-full of dark berry aromas and flavors. On the nose, blackberry, mulberry, cherry, and plum are accented by a touch of black pepper. The palate is dense and jammy with abundant berry flavors coupled with dried fig and peppercorns. Bright acidity brings this wine to life and will leave you anticipating the next succulent sip.

HARVEST

Harvest Dates: OCTOBER 9, 2021

Average Yields: 2.8 TONS / ACRE

Average Brix at Harvest: 25.0°

FERMENTATION / BARREL

100% MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION WITH MONTHLY BÂTONNAGE

Cooperage: 100% FRENCH OAK, 45% NEW

Barrel Aging: 9 MONTHS

WINE

Blend: 100% ZINFANDEL

Bottling Date: JULY 15, 2022

pH: 3.59 *TA:* 6.73 G/L *Alcohol:* 15.6%

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