



SWANSON

VINEYARDS

SALON WINE SELECTION

2021 ZINFANDEL

NAPA VALLEY

VINTAGE

2021 started off gently with sunny skies and a warm spring. But as the spring wore on with little rain, it became clear that 2021 would be a drought year. As the dry but beautifully sunny summer continued, winemakers prepared for a lightened crop load, and the valley drifted into a beautiful fall as the weather ended perfectly. The grapes were harvested in perfect condition leading to another great Napa Valley vintage showcasing wines with powerful and intense flavor.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand harvested in the early morning hours. Once brought to the winery they were destemmed to a stainless steel tank and underwent a 2-day cold soak. The wine was then inoculated with yeast and pumped over daily throughout fermentation. Once primary fermentation was complete, the tank was pressed and racked to French oak barrels for malolactic fermentation and 18 months of aging.

TASTING NOTES

The 2021 Salon Wine Selection Zinfandel is a lovely tribute to the varietal. The nose is full of strawberry jam and plum with accents of anise, white pepper, cinnamon, and tobacco. The medium-weight mouthfeel offers dark fruit on the entry with a rustic dusty characteristic and a long, textured finish. Pair with pepperoni pizza for an elevated, classic combo.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Varietal Composition: 100% Zinfandel

Bottling Date: July 11, 2023

Barrel Regime: 18 months in French oak, 35% new

TA: 6.23 g/L **pH:** 3.76 **Alcohol:** 15.0%