



Winemakers Reserve

Zinfandel

Amador County

Vintage:

2018

Appellation:

Shenandoah Valley of Amador County

Vineyard/Vintage Notes:

76% from the Haist Zinfandel vineyard in Amador County. This vineyard was planted in 1994 and is on high elevation west facing rolling hills in the middle of the Shenandoah Valley of Amador County. It is farmed to express the Zinfandel terroir of the county. 24% is Syrah from the York Vineyard in Fiddletown. This vineyard is planted atop a lava cap. The lack of soil forces the vines to struggle producing a small yielding highly intense flavored wine, thus giving the overall blend of rich intensity.

Winemaker's Notes:

Produced in the old world style of balanced wine making. We want the wine to express the Amador Zinfandel terrior with good balance of fruit, French oak, structural tannins and medium alcohol. 30% of the oak is new with the balance being once used barrels. It is 100% French oak. The lack of late season heat spikes and the extra hang time of the 2018 vintage allowed the grapes to fully ripen without reaching overly high sugars. Perfect conditions for producing fully developed balanced Zinfandel that talks to you saying "I'm Zinfandel, I'm Amador County and I'm 2018."

Technical Information

Blend:

100% Amador County. 76% Zinfandel, 24% Syrah

Alcohol:

14.5%

Cooperage:

17 months in French Oak

Bottling Date:

2/21/2020

SKU:

SC18WMRZN75

Cases Produced:

546 cases at 12/750ml

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