



DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

The Russian River Valley Original



Appellation:
Russian River Valley

Harvest Date:
9/19 - 10/08

Alcohol:
16% by volume

pH:
3.37

Titrateable Acidity:
7.0 g/L

Aged in Oak:
100%
20% New

Origin of Oak:
French

Months in Barrel:
12

2016 RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY ZINFANDEL

In the Vineyard

Our Russian River Valley Zinfandel is predominantly harvested from the younger vines of the BCD Vineyard and the Slusser Vineyard, with smaller amounts of older vine Zinfandel from the Saitone and Boschetti ranches. The wine is made in a style that highlights the distinctive characteristics and unique flavor profiles of our various Russian River Valley vineyards. The BCD Vineyard is one of the last to ripen and offers the final blend great acidity and a noticeable brambliness, while the Slusser Vineyard offers darker fruit flavors and high-toned aromatics. The grapes from the Saitone Ranch lend an intense dark spice to the wine while the fruit from the Boschetti Ranch provides dense tannins and a fuller body. Small percentages of Carignane and Petite Sirah add to the depth and complexity of the finished wine.

Conversations with the Winemaker

Our 2016 Russian River Valley Zinfandel was fermented in both open tops as well as closed tops in order to capture the spice and fruit of the Zinfandel grape. The wine was then aged in French oak barrels, 20% new, for 12 months before bottling.

Tasting Notes

Our 2016 Russian River Zinfandel opens with enticing aromas of dark plum, ripe blackberry and hints of baking spice. On the palate, lively notes of boysenberry and black cherry are accented with dark chocolate, vanilla and toasted oak. This medium body wine features a rich, luscious mouthfeel with well-balanced acidity and is a true expression of Russian River terroir.

Jean Charles Boisset

JEAN-CHARLES BOISSET
Proprietor

Brian Maloney

BRIAN MALONEY
Winemaker