



DE LOACH
VINEYARDS

The Russian River Valley Original



Appellation
Lake County

Harvest Date
10/22/11 – 10/24/11

Alcohol
15.0% by volume

pH
3.51

Titratable Acidity
5.90 g/L

Aged in Oak
100%
~20% New Oak~

Origin of Oak
French

Months in Barrel
14

Production
144 Cases



2011 NOVA VINEYARD ZINFANDEL

IN THE VINEYARD

Established in the 1960s on a pre-prohibition site using original vine cuttings, the Nova Vineyard is on the benchland of Mount Konocti in Lake County at an altitude of 1,500 feet. The head-trained vines grow in well-drained, deep alluvial volcanic-based soils and have been organically farmed since planting. In 2011, the vineyard was dry-farmed and thinned to approximately four tons per acre. These practices encourage the vines to develop smaller berries with complex, more concentrated flavors.

CONVERSATIONS WITH THE WINEMAKER

The grapes were hand-harvested, then fermented in both closed and open-top vats using techniques that encourage the natural spice and fruit characteristics found in Zinfandel. The must was then pressed to settle in tank and aerobically racked before being transferred to barrels for aging.

TASTING NOTES

Reminiscent of a rich dessert, the Nova Vineyard Zinfandel is defined by layers of concentrated cherry kirsch and crème fraiche on a graham cracker crust with a dusting of dark chocolate cocoa. The wine has great balance with medium body and nice length. It is best enjoyed with friends and family. The juicy steak is optional.

Jean Charles Boisset

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Proprietor

Brian Maloney

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Winemaker