

TECHNICAL DATA

COMPOSITION 84% Zinfandel,

11% Petite Sirah,

5% Primitivo

Amador County APPELLATION

VINEYARD Renwood Estate Grandpère VINE AGE 26 years, head-trained

ABV | pH | TA 14.5% | 3.76 | 5.4 g/L **CELLARING** Barrel aged for 19 months

in 40% new French oak.

\$49.99

HARVEST DATE September 10, 2015

BOTTLED May 16, 2017

PRODUCTION 350 cases **WINEMAKER** Joe Shebl

RETAIL PRICE

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2015 Special Reserve Grandpère Zinfandel

Amador County has a long, alluring history with wineries and high elevation vineyards dating back to the Gold Rush era. Renwood Winery takes advantage of the region's continental climate to specialize in old vine and single vineyard Zinfandels.



Renwood Estate Vineyard, Amador County

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

After many harvests here, I am still deeply touched by how incredible our Renwood property is. Over the past several seasons, winemaking has been working closely with the vineyard crew on our estate blocks and the painstaking time we've invested is really paying off in terms of grape quality. The 2015 vintage is showing well and is definitely a labor of love.

The historic vines that make up our Special Reserve Grandpère Zinfandel add a unique flavor composition and rich Amador County history. The 2015 vintage is elegant with rounded, youthful tannins combined with the weight and structure that our Estate Grandpère vineyard is known for. After night harvesting, we quickly brought in the fruit for two weeks of fermentation. After that, the wine was aged in 100% French oak.

The resulting wine has a gorgeous garnet hue with abundant aromatics of rose petals, black pepper, freshly ground nutmeg, and a dusting of cocoa. The flavors are complex and layered with notes of ripe black cherry, blueberry, and baking spices including clove and allspice. This limited production wine has a well-balanced acidity that lingers long after your last sip. It will cellar well for the next decade.

VINTAGE

The 2015 vintage was excellent overall. It was the earliest and most compact harvest on record at Renwood Winery. Due to ongoing drought conditions, yields continued to be slightly down. The upside of that is fruit balance and physiological ripeness were optimal across all varieties. Smaller berries and resulting clusters produced wines of significant intensity, natural acidity, color, and grace.