

Sawyer Vineyard Dry Creek Valley 2014 Zinfandel



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OF DRY CREEK



Named after son Sawyer, this unusually deep hillside vineyard has topsoil consisting of alluvial and volcanic composite soils. This allows the vines a slow, even rate of maturity despite the warm western exposure. Hand-harvested and fermented in open-top vats with three daily punch downs, this wine is aged in French and American oak barrels for approximately 18 months.

TECHNICAL DATA

Aspect: Southwestern

Planted: 1996

Harvested: October 2014

Clone: Frei Ranch Century

Rootstock: 110R

Trellis: Head-trained

Composition: 91.7% Zinfandel, 8.3% Petite Sirah

Alcohol: 16.1

Total Acidity: .072gm/100ml

pH: 3.58

Cases Produced: 285

TASTING NOTES

The nose bursts with ripe, wild blackberry sprinkled with freshly ground black pepper and hints of plum and oak. An opulent entry quickly reveals layers of deliciousness—dark juicy berries infused with a decadent blend of mocha, chocolate and toasted oak. The trademark spicy pepper complemented by supreme juiciness shows up in the long finish to round out another vintage of classic Sawyer Zin.