

# COYOTE CLUB

*October 2022*





# Winery News

## CELLAR UPDATES



The crop always depends on the weather and we had near-perfect conditions in July this year. With mostly cooler days and the occasional morning fog, the grapes had time to mature, growing nice and slow. Fast forward to the end of August, and not only did we have the usual white varieties and Pinot Noir coming in, but even four Zins were ready to be harvested!

Already running ahead of schedule, the weather played a joke on us and sent us five days over 100 degrees in the first eight days of September. This changed the pace and we rushed to get grapes picked before they desiccated on the vine.

It's now the middle of September and we have three-fourths of the Zins and much of the Cabernet crushed at Wilson & deLorimier. We will easily have everything in by October 1st which is very, very unusual. Not long ago, it was typical to be harvesting up until the beginning of November! Anticipate smaller lots for the Zin and Petite Sirah, but relatively average amounts on the Cabernet for 2022.

As for finished wines, we started releasing some of the new Zins in August. As a sneak peek, I'll mention that there is a new entry for our Grower's Series coming this fall from Chalk Hill that should be quite nice. Overall, I think the wines from 2020 are coming around nicely; that actually was a really nice growing year.

— *Diane Wilson*  
Proprietor & Winemaker

## WINE CLUB UPDATES

Hello to all you wonderful Wilson wine club members! I hope you've had a marvelous summer and enjoyed some fun in the sun while sipping on some of your favorite Wilson wines!

We've starting planning our event calendar for 2023 and are thrilled to be getting back to hosting members for special gatherings. Keep an eye out for more news via email and sign-up early to secure your spot. If you have a memorable event you've attended at Wilson in the past and would like us to bring it back, your feedback is always welcomed and appreciated.

We are excited about the new vintage wines that are being released in your allotments. As Diane mentioned, she has added a new entry to her Grower's Series, called, "Conte" from the Chalk Hill AVA. Ronald Conte planted these vines using Ulises Valdez Sr.'s esteemed St. Peter's church clone from Rockpile, and is not one to miss for all you big and bold Zinfandel fans!

I've had such a great pleasure meeting some of you and putting the face to the name. I'd actually love to meet each and every one of you one day soon so when you make plans to come visit Wilson in the future, please do ask your host to come get me. I'd be happy to stop by and say hello.

Thank you for your continued support as a Wilson member and we hope you enjoy your fall allocation!

— *Dorothy "Dee" Albritton*  
Wine Club Manager



To make your Coyote Club selection, select one of our pre-mixed cases or customize your own selection of reserve wines. The deadline to customize is **SEPTEMBER 30th**, after which you will automatically receive the **WINEMAKER'S CASE**.

Shipping members enjoy 25% off the retail price with \$10 flat rate shipping.  
 Pick up your shipment and receive 30% in lieu of shipping!

### Make Your Selection

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>WINEMAKER'S CASE (A)</b>  2019 Coyote RSV Cabernet -2 2020 Sawyer RSV Zinfandel -2 2020 Cypress Ridge RSV Zinfandel -2 2020 Treborce RSV Zinfandel -2 2020 Thomas Rockpile Zinfandel -2 2020 Botticelli Rockpile Zinfandel -2  RETAIL: \$736 <b>SHIP \$552   PICK UP \$515</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>LEGACY CASE (B)</b>  2018 Kenneth Carl Legacy Zinfandel -4 2018 Diane Marie Legacy Zinfandel -4 2019 Duetto Barrel Select Zinfandel -4  RETAIL: \$1,560 <b>\$849 + COMP SHIP</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>CUSTOMIZED CASE (C)</b>  Customize your selection using the form below - minimum 12 bottles.  RETAIL: STARTING AT \$600 <b>SHIP 25%   PICK UP 30%</b>
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### Customize Your Case

	RETAIL	SHIP   PICK UP	QTY
2018 Snake Patch Petite Sirah	\$50	\$38   \$35	
2018 Molly's Reserve Petite Sirah  <b>91 POINTS</b>	\$52	\$39   \$36	
2019 Coyote Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon	\$56	\$42   \$39	
2020 Botticelli Rockpile Zinfandel  <b>90 POINTS</b>	\$65	\$49   \$46	
2020 Coyote Reserve Zinfandel  <b>90 POINTS</b>	\$54	\$41   \$38	
2020 Cypress Ridge Reserve Zinfandel	\$60	\$45   \$42	
2020 Sawyer Reserve Zinfandel	\$62	\$47   \$43	
2020 Thomas Rockpile Zinfandel	\$65	\$49   \$46	
2019 Tori Reserve Zinfandel  <b>95 POINTS</b>	\$62	\$47   \$43	
2020 Treborce Reserve Zinfandel	\$60	\$45   \$42	
2019 Duetto Barrel Select Zinfandel	\$90	\$68   \$63	
2018 Diane Marie Legacy Zinfandel	\$150	\$113   \$105	
2018 Kenneth Carl Legacy Zinfandel	\$150	\$113   \$105	

### Membership Info

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **SHIPPING OR PICK-UP?:**  SHIP  PICK-UP  
**EMAIL:** \_\_\_\_\_ **USE CREDIT CARD ON FILE?:**  YES  NO  
**PHONE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **USE ADDRESS ON FILE?:**  YES  NO  
**IF NO, PLEASE PROVIDE ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_



# Fall Allocation



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## 2018 MOLLY'S RSV PETITE SIRAH

DRY CREEK VALLEY, RETAIL: \$52  
80% Petite Sirah, 20% Zinfandel

*Wine & Spirits Magazine* | "The Wilson family planted this southwest-facing hillside in 2004, the vines growing in deep topsoil with alluvial and volcanic contributions. Their wine is powerful juice, heady and concentrated in layers of herb and mulberry flavors. Black-tea-like tannins lend it heft, and they don't look to soften anytime soon. For the cellar." —J.G. (123 cases)

91 PTS | *Wine & Spirits Magazine*

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## 2018 SNAKE PATCH PETITE SIRAH

DRY CREEK VALLEY, RETAIL: \$50  
100% Petite Sirah

An inviting nose of mulberry, blueberry, fresh currant, and vanilla aromas. The palate is lush and has lasting depth with notes of boysenberry, cocoa, and clove. Mouth drying tannins and juicy acidity with a long finish make for a very ageable Petite Sirah.

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## 2019 COYOTE RSV CABERNET SAUV.

SONOMA COUNTY, RETAIL: \$56  
84% Cabernet Sauvignon, 8% Malbec,  
8% Petit Verdot

Aromatics of white pepper, dark fruit, bell pepper, and a hint of honey. On the palate, juicy flavors of black raspberry, black cherry, and currant combine with a smooth, vanilla finish.

A C



## 2020 THOMAS ROCKPILE ZINFANDEL

ROCKPILE, RETAIL: \$65  
90% Zinfandel, 10% Petite Sirah

Dried red fruits lead the nose, while baking spices and cedar tie the bouquet together. On the palate, red plum and black cherry meld into vibrant tannins and a long, complex finish.

A C



## 2020 TREBORCE RSV ZINFANDEL

DRY CREEK VALLEY, RETAIL: \$60  
96% Zinfandel, 4% Petite Sirah

Deep garnet in color, the bouquet opens with fresh aromas of dark berries and notes of sage and pine. Flavors of stewed plums and fig jam give way to velvety tannin, and a long, balanced finish.

A C



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## 2020 COYOTE RSV ZINFANDEL

SONOMA COUNTY, RETAIL: \$54  
92% Zinfandel, 8% Petite Sirah

*Connoisseur's Guide* | "California's 2020 vintage is a mixed bag when it comes to red wines, especially those that are generally picked late in the season, but as this wine attests, it would be a mistake to dismiss the vintage out of hand. It reflects the Wilson predisposition for heady ripeness and palatal heft yet is a very specific Zinfandel with plenty of fruity clout and a long and juicy, very persistent, oak-enriched blackberry presence, and it is not washed out by unmanageable heat. If built to age for three to five years, its explicit richness is sure to satisfy lovers of lavish big Zins right now."

90 PTS | *Connoisseur's Guide to California Wine*

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A WINEMAKER'S SELECTION

B LEGACY SELECTION

C CUSTOM SELECTION



# Fall Allocation



## 2019 TORI RSV ZINFANDEL

DRY CREEK VALLEY, RETAIL: \$62

95% Zinfandel, 5% Petite Sirah

*Connoisseur's Guide* | "Obvious ripeness is no vice when it is met by as much intense, impressively concentrated fruit as is on display here, and, even if this big-bodied offering shows a bit of back-end heat, its alcohol is well-buffered by loads of juicy, oak-sweetened blackberries that are its abiding theme. Delicate it is not, and it is definitely a wine that needs tagging as one to pair with appropriately full-flavored foods, but it exhibits fine fruity depth and richness to spare, and it is the kind of Zinfandel that is sure to delight fans of expressive, mouthfilling versions that leave no doubt as to their varietal identity."

**95 PTS** | Los Angeles Invitational Wine Challenge

**92 PTS** | Press Democrat's North Coast Wine Challenge

**91 PTS** | Connoisseur's Guide to California Wine

**C**



## 2019 DUETTO ZINFANDEL

DRY CREEK VALLEY, RETAIL: \$90

94% Zinfandel, 6% Petite Sirah

This wine opens with a harmonious blend of dark fruit and wood spices. The nose is greeted with aromas of boysenberry pie, mocha and orange peel. The broad palate is rich with flavors of chocolate, cherries, dried fig and baking spices. Balanced tannins and acidity round out for a smooth finish.

**B C**



## 2020 BOTTICELLI ROCKPILE ZINFANDEL

ROCKPILE, RETAIL: \$65

95% Zinfandel, 5% Petite Sirah

Lush and aromatic, this wine expresses a bouquet of ripened boysenberry, caramel, and dusty oak. On the palate it showcases silky tannins and notes of wild blackberry, cassia, and bay leaf.

**90 PTS** | Sunset International Wine Competition

**A C**



## 2020 SAWYER RSV ZINFANDEL

DRY CREEK VALLEY, RETAIL: \$62

96% Zinfandel, 4% Petite Sirah

Bursting with black jammy fruit and enticing notes of baking spices and vanilla. The fruit-forward palate consists of black berry, black currant, black cherry, caramel, and umami. The tannins are gripping and long-lasting.

**A C**



## 2020 CYPRESS RIDGE RSV ZINFANDEL

DRY CREEK VALLEY, RETAIL: \$60

96% Zinfandel, 4% Petite Sirah

Notes of red fruit, allspice, and vanilla entice the nose of this cool climate Zinfandel. The mouth is full and rich with flavors of pomegranate, cranberry, spiced clove, and caramel. Crisp acidity and a bright cherry finish.

**A C**



## 2018 DIANE MARIE LEGACY ZINFANDEL

DRY CREEK VALLEY, RETAIL: \$150

90% Zinfandel, 10% Petite Sirah

Rich and dense in aromatics, the bouquet presents notes of blackberry jam, caramel and herbs de Provence. The expansive palate is concentrated with flavors of black cherry, cola and plum. Integrated tannins and balanced acidity dance together to give this wine a long, rounded finish.

**B C**



## 2018 KENNETH CARL LEGACY ZINFANDEL

DRY CREEK VALLEY, RETAIL: \$150

89% Zinfandel, 11% Petite Sirah

Beautifully balanced aromatics compliment a nuanced and supple palate in this opulent Zinfandel. The bouquet is rich with juicy red plum, pine needles and boysenberry, while flavors of fresh cherry, cocoa powder and black tea intermingle in the mouth. The integrated oak adds caramel and spice while velvety tannins support a long, full finish.

**B C**

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Bon Appetit

## MUSHROOM, KALE, & BUTTERNUT SQUASH PASTA

RECOMMENDED PAIRING: 2020 BUZZ ZINFANDEL



### INGREDIENTS:

- 1/2 cup butter
- 2 cups heavy cream
- 2 tsp. salt - more to taste
- 1 tsp. pepper - more to taste
- 2 tbsp. garlic, minced
- 1/2 cup shitake mushrooms, chopped
- 1/2 cup cremini mushrooms, sliced
- 1/4 cup white onion, diced
- 1/2 cup green onion, chopped
- 2 cups kale, shredded
- 1 cup butternut squash, diced
- 1 cup smoked gouda cheese, shredded
- 1/4 cup toasted almonds, slivered
- 6 cups bowtie pasta, cooked al dente

Step 1

In a large frying pan, melt butter. Once melted, add onion, garlic, and butternut squash, cooking on medium heat until onion starts to caramelize. Add shitake & crimini mushrooms and cook for another 4-6 minutes.

Step 2

Once mushrooms begin to brown, add kale, heavy cream, gouda cheese, salt, and pepper to taste. Cook 2-3 minutes, or until cheese is melted and kale begins to wilt. Add bowtie pasta and stir, cooking for another 2-3 minutes until pasta is well-combined.

Step 3

Serve and garnish with slivered almonds and green onions. Enjoy alongside a glass of Buzz Zinfandel!