



2021 'ENZ VINEYARD' ZINFANDEL

- 100% ZINFANDEL
- LIME KILN VALLEY - SAN BENITO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
- AGED IN 100% NEUTRAL FRENCH OAK BARRELS FOR 21 MONTHS
- ALC. 15.1% BY VOL.
- 100 CASES MADE
- BAKED CHERRY, WILD HERBS, TOASTED SPICE
- 92 POINTS - WINE ENTHUSIAST

Our Zinfandel comes from Enz Vineyard in San Benito County - an ancient vineyard that was first planted in the late 1800's. Many of the original vines are still intact and producing grapes, including vines from the Mourvèdre block where this wine is grown. While Enz Vineyard shares the Mediterranean climate typical of California, it is notably warmer than the coastal vineyards we usually work with.

Perched 1,000 feet above sea level and 50 miles inland, the vineyard's unique character comes from its soil. Composed of decomposed granite and the remnants of ancient sea creatures, this lime-rich earth is a hallmark of the valley's name. Adding to the vineyard's distinctiveness is its proximity to the San Andreas fault, less than a mile to the northeast.

Enz Vineyard is dry-farmed and the vines are head-trained, practices that are rare in modern viticulture. The ancient, gnarled vines, impart an old-world charm unique to this vineyard. Enz upholds a sense of deeply-rooted tradition and authenticity, a testament to over a century of dedicated, principled farming.

"Wild herb, baked cherry and toasty brown spices converge on the nose of this wine from a historic vineyard in San Benito County. Chaparral-like aromas of fennel and thyme decorate the toast-ed-berry flavors of the palate." — Matt Kettmann, Wine Enthusiast

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