

PAINTER BRIDGE



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Zinfandel
California

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

88% Zinfandel, 7% Petite Sirah, 4% Syrah and 1.0% Grenache

PRODUCTION OUTLINE

The 2008 Painter Bridge Zinfandel comes from four Paso Robles Zinfandel blocks and is blended with a wonderfully soft and dark Paso Robles Petite Sirah for body and breadth. A bit of Syrah was blended for spice, and a smattering of potent fruit came from Grenache Noir. Each lot of Zinfandel was fermented separately, extracting the nuances of each individual vineyard block with an eye towards suppleness of texture before aging in Hungarian oak barrels.

The stylistic goal of Painter Bridge Zinfandel is to emphasize the tremendous red fruit characters of the Zinfandel grape without overpowering the delicacy of the fruit with oak.

TECHNICAL DATA

Vintage: 2008

Origin: Paso Robles

Total Acidity: 0.68

pH: 3.53

Alcohol: 13.0% alcohol by volume

Residual Sugar: 0.46 g/100ml

Maturation: Tank for 6 months

WINEMAKER'S COMMENTS

The 2008 Painter Bridge Zinfandel shows great color density with youthful garnet red hues. The aromas are ripe red fruits of raspberry, black currant and strawberry preserves with black tea, white and black pepper spice. The palate delivers a fruity, plump, yet supple wine with some spicy Zinfandel pepperiness. Enjoy with pasta puttanesca, pizza or grilled meats.

