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BERAN SONOMA COUNTY ZINFANDEL

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Beran - The Bear - is forever a figure of strength and head-strong drive. With the same power and conviction, our Zinfandels are grown and crafted without compromise.

SOURCING PHILOSOPHY

In making Beran Sonoma County Zinfandel, we had the pleasure to work with some of the region's most highly regarded Zinfandel vineyards; Peter Haywood's in the Moon Mountain district, Alan Foppiano's vineyard that straddles Alexander and Russian River Valleys, and Frank Rebottaro's Alexander Valley vineyard.

2014 VINTAGE

The 2014 Vintage was an incredible growing season, one not seen by winemakers in many years. The winter period was marked by below average rainfall and the region entered into the third year of a prolonged drought. Daytime temperatures were consistently warm and nights were cool, which led to fruit that ripened with complex flavor development while retaining brilliant acidity. Due to a warm summer and early fall, harvest occurred four weeks earlier than normal and the Zinfandel crop was harvested with wonderful intensity, structure, and excellent color.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Beran Sonoma County Zinfandel 2014 is a great addition to the Beran portfolio. It shows all the classic characteristics that Moon Mountain and Alexander Valley Zinfandels are known for.

We created an elegant, complex, and beautifully structured Zinfandel by picking the grapes at optimal ripeness, then following that with extended fruit maceration of up to 30 days. The wine rested for 12 months in a combination of American and French oak before bottling.

TASTING NOTES

Color: Deep, dark ruby red with purple hues.

Aromatics: Notes of fresh blackberry, blueberry, and ripe plum with hints of black currant and milk chocolate.

Palate: Delectable and tasty, this wine has alluring fruit flavors of blueberry and ripe blackberry complemented by hints of tobacco spice and white pepper finish.

Structure: Medium-bodied with well structured tannins, beautiful mid-palate weight, and a lingering, luxurious finish.

Food Pairings: Beran Sonoma County Zinfandel pairs well with a wide variety of foods, however we recommend enjoying it with pasta puttanesca, Point Reyes blue cheese with Genoa salami.

WINEMAKERS

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