



VALRAVN

2019

sonoma county
zinfandel

We've been making wine in Sonoma County for over ten years now and along the way, established a dynamic network of friends and colleagues that include vineyard owners, growers and winemakers. While we successfully navigated and maneuvered our way through the négoce market in the past, Valravv represents the next evolutionary step for us. Because of those forged relationships and friendships, we have exclusive access to grapes from fantastic vineyards and the team to oversee hands-on production from vineyard to bottle. We are proud of our past achievements and excited to realize the culmination of a decade of learning and focus, bringing authentic wines to the table that we have found, seen, and touched at every step. Valravv wines are out of the gate approachable, delicious, and table ready.

VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

Since our first vintage (six years ago), Valravv Zinfandel has been based on old, bush-pruned vines averaging 40 years old (some over 100) across the county's best appellations including Dry Creek Valley, Alexander Valley, and Russian River Valley AVAs. In 2019, we also peppered in a bit of Syrah, Grenache, and Cinsault. Hand harvested, hand sorted and gently destemmed before fermentation.

In the cellar, a short cold soak was followed by primary fermentation in small lots using a combination of open and closed top tanks. The berries were kept in tact to capture the buoyant fruit profile. Following fermentation, the wine was barreled down for malolactic and aging for 15 months in French oak, 15% of which was new.

TASTING NOTES

Dark cherry and black raspberry aromas with pepper spiciness. The palate is warm with dark fruit flavors of blueberry, cassis, and blackberry compote which are complemented with briary notes and an energetic freshness. Strikes ideal balance of tannins, fruit and acidity.

ABV: 14.9%
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