

PEDRONCELLI

**2007
Zinfandel
Bushnell Vineyard
Dry Creek Valley
Sonoma County**

Bushnell Vineyard History

Located on the eastern hillsides of Dry Creek Valley, the 20-acre Bushnell Vineyard has been closely related to the Pedroncelli family for over 50 years. Winery founder John Sr. purchased the property in 1945, and, at the time, it was planted to Zinfandel, Petite Sirah and Carignane. The vineyard was sold to son-in-law Al Pedroni in the 1950's and he tended the vineyard for over 40 years. Al's daughter Carol Bushnell inherited the vineyard in the 1990's and she and her husband Jim now farm the vineyard. They grow Zinfandel and Petite Sirah—we used a small portion of Petite Sirah from their vineyard in this year's vintage.

Winemaking

The fruit was picked the second week of September and fermented separately in small capacity stainless steel tanks which lends better skin-to-juice ratio...better for extraction of color and flavor. Three pumpovers per day put the juice and skins in constant contact. Following fermentation and pressing, the young wine was transferred to French and American oak barrels to age for eleven months. The time in the barrel added complexity, making a softer, smoother wine.

Tasting Notes

Our Bushnell Vineyard Zinfandel has a very fragrant nose of ripe raspberry and black pepper followed by spicy, jammy concentrated fruit flavors. Structured, rounded and full in the mouth, this wine has a long, lingering finish laced with slight toasted oak undertones.

Production: 1000 cases



Appellation: Dry Creek Valley
Composition: 90% Zinfandel;
10% Petite Sirah
Aging: 11 months in French &
American oak barrels
Alcohol: 14.9%
Acidity: .585g/100ml
pH: 3.72

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