

FAMILY OWNED SINCE 1927



# PEDRONCELLI



## MOTHER CLONE VINEYARD SOURCES

Pedroncelli's historic Zinfandel vineyards are situated on the hillsides surrounding the winery. They are located on the ranch originally purchased by John Pedroncelli Sr. in 1927 and planted to Zinfandel since 1904. The vines are head-pruned and hand-picked, a second generation vineyard cloned from the original "Mother" vines. The individual blocks were replanted in the early 1980s. The fruit from the remaining 110-year-old vines, although a small part, is included. We also source from Bushnell and Faloni, both longtime Zinfandel vineyards.

## WINEMAKING

Zinfandel from the 2017 vintage was harvested over the first week of September. A solid winter of rain gave the grapes a great start. An uneventful spring was followed by a warm summer which bumped aromatics and flavors. As harvest time approached the warmer weather led to an earlier harvest. Concentrated fruit and high aromatics are the result.

At the crushpad, destemmed grapes are transferred to a fermentation tank to cold soak for 24-48 hours and then are inoculated with selected yeast. Daily pump-overs and fermentation in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks with delestage regimes are done for maximum phenolic extraction. Following this the grapes are pressed and go to storage tanks until barreled down for twelve months of aging in American oak barrels. The addition of Petite Sirah (19%) adds depth of color and brings structure to the Zinfandel fruit.

## TASTING NOTES

Our Mother Clone is a classic 'Dry Creek' Zinfandel with aromas of ripe blackberries and a touch of warm baking spices. This Zin is plump with jammy berry flavors combined with a touch of black pepper spice and notes of vanilla, and toasty oak. The spicy-berry dynamic so typical of Dry Creek Zin combines round tannins and a long, spicy finish which are a hallmark of our style. Enjoy now or cellar for three to five years.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

### APPELLATION

Dry Creek Valley,  
Sonoma County

### AGING

12 months in  
American Oak, 30% new oak

ALCOHOL 15.0%

pH 3.74

TOTAL ACIDITY .574g/100ml

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## PEDRONCELLI WINERY

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