

FAMILY FARMED

ARTEZIN

SUSTAINABLY GROWN

Z I N F A N D E L
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2014 Artezin Zinfandels are sourced from family-farmed, sustainably grown vineyards that share our farm-to-table philosophy. Behind each wine is a story that highlights the history of Zinfandel and honors the immigrants who established the variety in California.

Collins Vineyard

Originally planted in 1910, this century-old vineyard added new blocks in 1933, a true expression of old-vine fruit. For more than a century just three owners have served as stewards of this land, ever cognizant of the traditions of the original Italian immigrants who settled alongside the Russian River.

Taste with Winemaker Randle Johnson

“Though most often thought of as a cool growing region, there are warmer reaches of the Russian River perfect for Zinfandel. Our fruit hails from old vine blocks planted in 1934, in the excitement that followed the repeal of Prohibition. A near ancient clone dominates the block, but its exact origin is unknown, but what’s not unknown are the wonderful flavors and aromas characteristic of fruit from the Collins vineyard. We use a touch more oak to offset dominant black fruit flavors and aromas of cassis, licorice and blackberry, boysenberry and black cherry. Oak spice from the French oak adds a racy note, with just a hint of smoke and cinnamon. This will offer a pleasing glass now, but will also evolve and remain expressive until 2020 and beyond. Big and bold roasts, grilled steaks, barbecued sausages and red-sauced pastas are just the thing for pairing.”

Appellation: Russian River Valley

Cooperage: Aged in 100% French oak, once used barrels

TA: 0.64 gms/100ml

Ph: 3.70

Blend: 96% Zinfandel, 4% Carignane

Alcohol: 14.8%

Russian River Valley

The Russian River meanders through the heart of Sonoma County, serving as a pathway for cooling Pacific fog that creates a terroir well known for cool climate fruit such as Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Zinfandel was established in the late 1800's and the longer, leisurely growing season allows grapes to evolve with complex flavors and compelling ripeness, creating sought after Zinfandels of character.

