

## **2020 Zinfandel** - 750ml

Appellation: Blend:

Alexander Valley Zinfandel 100%

Harvest Date: 8/31 - 9/19/20 Cave Aged:

First Vintage: 2015

16 months American oak barrels

**RS:** 0.72 g/L

Alexander Valley Vineyards and the Wetzel family have a long history with Zinfandel. The legacy began with Sin Zin in 1978 when Hank produced our first vintage of Alexander Valley Zinfandel for friends and family. We followed up with Redemption featuring Dry Creek Valley Zinfandel in 2001 and in 2004 produced a completely different style of wine using a blend of our three favorite regions of Zinfandel for Temptation. We've loved all three over the decades, yet we've always had a soft spot for the elegant, jammy and spicy fruit flavors of Zinfandel from the Alexander Valley. This sixth release celebrates that style along with our classic Alexander Valley Vineyards label.

The 2020 growing season enjoyed near-perfect growing conditions. The year began with unseasonably warm temperatures, and lower than normal rainfall. This was followed by weeks of steady daytime heat and cool evenings, allowing the grapes to ripen slowly. The wine was aged for 16 months in American oak barrels.

This wine has great color, with a dark purple and red hue. There are spicy, earthy aromas of dark fruits, black cherry, black pepper, plum, and strawberry. The 2020 Zinfandel is a spicy wine with rich earthy flavors of black and red cherry, plum, boysenberry, black pepper, apricot and chocolate. This is a Zinfandel to savor with hints of brown sugar and warm spices along with great balance and a nice clean finish.

#### **Profile:**

Dark fruits, brown sugar and warm spices.

#### **Pairing Suggestions:**

Grilled meats, roasted poultry, stews, Italian dishes and hard cheeses.

#### Accolades:

**2020: 92 points** - James Suckling **2020: 91 points** - Wine Spectator

2020: Gold Medal & Reserve Class Champion - Fort Worth Stock Show & Rodeo International Wine Competition

**2019:** Top 100 Wine 2023 (only Zinfandel on the list) Wine Spectator - 91 points

# VALLEY VINEYARDS 2020 ZINFANDEL Zinfandel with elegant, jammy and spicy fruit flavor.

Alexander Valley has been a favorite of the Wetzel family for docude. Warm days and cool nights saves a balance of ripeness and acidity in the grapes. After fermentation we barrel age the wine in American acid to add depth and complexity. Endicing aromas him at the luscious fruit in this wine. In the glass there are flavors of supplerry, black cherry and plum, along with backep pera color and a property settled in the 1849's by Alexander Valley annuesake Cyrus Alexander, showcases the history, tradition and excellence of the region.

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