

JOEL GOTT

Zinfandel

CALIFORNIA

VARIETAL:

100% Zinfandel

APPELLATION:

California

Sonoma

Amador

Borden Ranch

Lodi

BARREL:

20% new American oak

80% 2-year-old French oak

ALCOHOL:

14.4%

TASTING NOTES:

Our 2016 California Zinfandel has aromas of ripe blackberries, tea and sandalwood. On the palate, flavors of black cherries and vanilla are followed by a smooth mid-palate with round, concentrated flavors of caramel and cola, and a long finish with hints of spice.

WINEGROWING NOTES:

The larger part of this blend is sourced from Amador and Lodi where small fruit clusters from decades-old, head-trained vines give the wine its intense concentration. Located within the northeastern hills of the Lodi appellation, loose, stony soil from Borden Ranch allows for strong vine growth, and adds great concentration to the wine. Fruit from Sonoma adds spice and gives the wine its structure and tannins. Sourcing from these varied regions across California helps to create an elegant and well-balanced wine.

HARVEST NOTES:

Across California, the 2016 growing season started off with an early bud break followed by a warm spring, with moderate summer temperatures and cooler than usual nights in July and August.

WINEMAKING NOTES:

After fermentation, the wine was aged in 20% new American oak and 80% 2-year-old French oak.

