

# JOEL GOTT

CA 2022

ZINFANDEL



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APPELLATION	CALIFORNIA <i>Borden Ranch, Mokelumne River, Contra Costa, Dry Creek Valley, Mendocino</i>
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BARREL	15% NEW AMERICAN OAK 15% 2-YEAR-OLD FRENCH OAK
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VARIETAL	100% ZINFANDEL
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#### TASTING NOTES

Our 2022 California Zinfandel has aromas of raspberries, blackberries, and black plum with notes of vanilla and spice. On the palate, dark fruit flavors are followed by soft, velvety tannins on the mid-palate, and a long, elegant finish with hints of spice.

#### VINEYARD NOTES

The larger part of this blend comes from decades-old, head-trained vines that produce small, concentrated fruit clusters giving the wine its intense concentration. Fruit from Borden Ranch, located in the northeastern hills of the Lodi appellation, grows on loose, stony soil that allows for strong vine growth and adds great concentration to the wine. Vineyards in the Mokelumne River AVA experience a mild Mediterranean climate with cool afternoons and warm evenings adding ripe, fruit flavors and soft tannins to the wine. Fruit from the Contra Costa and Dry Creek Valley AVAs add complexity and concentration while fruit from Mendocino adds rich, fruit flavors. Sourcing from these varied regions across California helps to create an elegant and well-balanced wine.

#### HARVEST NOTES

Across California, the growing season experienced a dry winter with mild spring and summer temperatures followed by a late summer heatwave, resulting in an earlier than usual harvest. These conditions produced smaller, more concentrated fruit clusters resulting in great flavor and acidity making for a complex and well-balanced wine.

#### WINEMAKING NOTES

Following harvest, the fruit was fermented in individual lots then blended to balance the characteristics of each grape growing region. The wine was aged in 15% new American oak and 15% 2-year-old French oak.

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PH: 3.74	TA: 5.8 g/L	RS: 3.2 g/L	ALC. 14.4%
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