

# 2014 MAI SOLI ZINFANDEL MCCLONE VINEYARD EL DORADO AVA, CALIFORNIA



## THE WINE:

A classic Sierra Foothills Zinfandel produced by one of Zinfandel's true pioneers. The wine is 100% Zinfandel from older vines (up to 75 years old), along the western slopes of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Produced in only 112 cases, the grapes were hand-picked from old "head-trained" Zinfandel vines and barrel aged in American oak for 24 months. The vineyard has been certified organic since 2006.

## THE ESTATE:

Made by Joe Ramazzotti this wine brings together the old-world traditions of Italian winemakers and the classic new-world style of Zinfandel. Joe and his wife Norma run Ramazzotti Winery in Geyserville, CA which was established in 2002. Joe has been growing Zinfandel grapes for over 50 years in Dry Creek after immigrating to the US from Italy at 7 years old. Joe has earned the reputation as one of the world's best farmers of the Zinfandel grape and with access to over 5,000 acres of Zinfandel vines throughout California he has selected his favorite parcels for the production of his own wines.

## TASTING NOTES:

**Color:** deep ruby-red with a darker core

**Aromas:** black raspberry, sweet cherries, Crayola crayons and classic white pepper spice

**Flavor & Texture:** red and black fruits wrap the palate with subtle vanilla and exotic spices on the long and delicious finish

**Food Pairing:** baby back ribs in a tangy and smokey BBQ sauce

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